

Rotary Club of Gungahlin (Inc)

District 9710

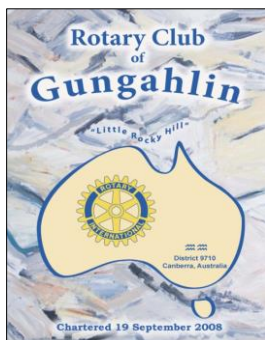
The Key

28 December 2015

Meetings: Mondays 6:30 for 7pm
Venue: Tribe Hotel, 48 O'Hanlon Place, Nicholls



Be a gift to the world



President: Sandra Mahlberg

Secretary: Ian Foster

2015 Achievements in Review

For a small club, we sure do achieve a lot. It has been a very productive year, and we are looking forward to 2016 being even bigger and better. Small clubs face many challenges, but I am proud that we do not let our size scare us off getting involved and making a great difference in our local and international community. We each have our own reasons for being a Rotarian, but when it all comes down to it, we all want to make a positive difference in the world and we do that so well as a team. I've put together a list of highlights from the year, which gives you an idea of how busy we have been but also how much good work we have done.

January

- Sponsored Alison Cantwell to attend RYLA
- Several members hosted NYSF students
- Catered the Y.Engage Block Party BBQ

February

- New member Robyn Pearson inducted into the club
- Held an information stand at the Gungahlin College Market Day
- Provided \$300 which allowed 3 children with disabilities and their carers to attend Bowlarama through the Lara Jean Foundation

March

- Reedly from Vanuatu came and had his 8-hour operation thanks to ROMAC. Gungahlin Rotary Club was his sponsor club, and Reedly and his mum stayed with Sandra during the recovery time.
- Continued selling raffle tickets to raise money for HIAM Health, breaking the malnutrition cycle in Timor Leste.
- Collected donations at our regular monthly BBQ for the devastation of Cyclone Pam in Vanuatu

April

- Our whole club was involved in running the BBQ and info stand at the inaugural Celebrate Gungahlin festival with money from the BBQ going back to Communities@Work
- Several members attended the District Assembly in Tumut
- Special visit from the club's 2010 Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar from the USA, Michelle Jester
- Vocational Excellence award presented to Nikita Jubb recognising her excellent customer service at Australia Post

May

- Some members attended the Rotary World Peace Fellows Dinner

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- Donated \$1000 to the Nepal Earthquake relief efforts
- Sold 349 Bowelscan kits, raising \$5235 for the cause

June

- New member Gordana Morphet inducted into the club
- Supported the Motor Neurone Disease walkathon, raising \$400 at the event's BBQ
- Paul Harris Fellow recognitions to members Emma Hales and Terry Howard
- Steve Bell Rotary Award presented to Liz Toussaint from Poetry in Flowers for her Random Acts of Kindness program

July

- District selections for National Youth Science Forum
- Member Brian Goldstraw transferred to our club

August

- Moved to our new meeting venue, Tribe Hotel – a great space with awesome meals!

September

- Several members attended the Rotary Success Conference, learning about strengthening our clubs
- New member Katie McCorley inducted
- Sponsored two students to attend RYPEN
- Attended the Amaroo School Duke of Edinburgh celebrations to witness the achievements of this program that we are supporting.

October

- Enjoyed a social night of bowling with the Brindabella Rotaract Club
- Some members assisted at the Berrima Gaolbreak weekend
- Some members attended the District Conference in Jindabyne
- Some attended the Polio Eradication movie night
- Some hosted midwives that were here from Samoa, Fiji and Tonga with a Vocational Training Team
- Our club received a Membership Development Award recognising our increase in membership

November

- Club approval of our new International Project, an early childhood development program in Timor Leste
- Began discussing the implementation of a new local Interact club
- Two RYLA candidates nominated and approved for sponsorship in the January 2016 program

December

- Presented Community Service awards to local school students
- Enjoyed our Christmas party
- Some members will be assisting at the Boxing Day BBQ at Bunnings, organised by Rotary Club of Aurora Gungahlin.

We're pretty amazing, don't you think?! Now, go and have a relaxing, fun and safe Christmas and New Year. See you in 2016 for more adventures.

Emma xx

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Upcoming Events

NYSF Dinner & Home Hosting Opportunities – January 2016

The National Youth Science Forum attracts some the brightest science students as they are entering year 12 and the 400 selected students attend one of two 2 week live-in programs at the ANU.



As the host Rotary District, Canberra's Rotarians are asked to play a major role **home hosting**, which takes place on Sundays 10th and 24th of January. Our support for hosting is essential for a success of the NYSF.

NYSF Rotary dinners will be held on Thursdays 7th and 21st of January at the Hellenic Club. There is always a quality science-related speaker and it is an opportunity to meet all of the students and, if you are home hosting, those you will be hosting a few days later.

Members are urged to respond ASAP if they are able to provide home hosting. There are many students and it is a difficult task arranging hosting for all of them. If you can take 2 or more students for a day, and provide them with a place to rest and recharge, it will be much appreciated. Members who have done this in previous years have enjoyed the experience, and it's not a very demanding task.

ESSENTIAL: Registration of offers for Home Hosting and for seats at the NYSF Dinner (along with payment) **must** be made through the District 9710 web site; [Click here](#)

Rotary Learning Institute (RLI) – 2016

This is a fantastic opportunity for members to learn more about Rotary (and it's not just for new members). Over three 1 day sessions, participants will gain a better understanding of leadership, Rotary structure, Rotary programs, and how to enrich their club. The Canberra sessions in 2016 will be held on February 7th (session 1), March 6th (session 2) and April 3rd (session 3). Contact Vice President Kiri for further details.

Making plans for 2016? Seoul 28 May -1 June 2016

Explore this world-class city and discover the rich culture that connects the newest trends with time-honored traditions. Taste Korean cuisine and shop for the latest fashions and electronics. Connect with new friends, new ideas, and new technologies at this life-enriching convention. Join the thousands of Rotarians who will come together in friendship and peace.

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Club Calendar (subject to confirmation by Board) – update your diaries

December

Disease Prevention & Treatment

Sat 26 Dec	BBQ (with Aurora Club) at Bunnings (Gungahlin) Gordana, Robyn + more?
Mon 28 th Dec	No Meeting – Christmas break

January

Vocational Service

Sun 3 rd Jan	T&T – Brian & Sandra
Mon 4 th Jan	Meeting - Social Night – Games & Cards @ Pres. Sandra's house
Sat 9 th Jan	BBQ Magnet Mart – Emma, Sandra, Katie, Bob, Terry, Gordana, Brian
Sunday 10 th Jan	NYSF Home Hosting – Robyn, Gordana
Mon 11 th Jan	No meeting – deferred to attend RYLA one night this week (TBC).
Mon 18 th Jan	Club Assembly & Board Meeting
Sun 24 th Jan	NYSF Home Hosting – Ian, Gordana
Mon 25 th Jan	Meeting Cancelled
Sun 31 st Jan	T&T – volunteers required

February

Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution

Mon 1 st Feb	Meeting – Speaker TBA
Mon 8 th Feb	Meeting – Speaker has been confirmed (TBA)
Sun 14 th Feb	BBQ Magnet Mart – Volunteers required
Mon 15 th Feb	Club Assembly & Board Meeting – TBC
Sa/Su 20-21 Feb	PETS - Terry
Mon 22 nd Feb	Meeting TBA
Sat 27 th Feb	Club Visioning – all members
Sun 28 th Feb	T&T – volunteers required
Mon 29 th Feb	Meeting TBA

Roster for Meeting Toast:

Meeting	Toast
4 th January	Terry
18 th January	Sandra
1 st February	Brian
8 th February	Robyn

You can make your toast something significant to you, Rotary, or the world. Feel free to be creative!

This week's edition of The Key has been edited by Emma Hales, pr.rcgungahlin@gmail.com.
Contributions from members are much appreciated.