

Rotary Club of Gungahlin (Inc)

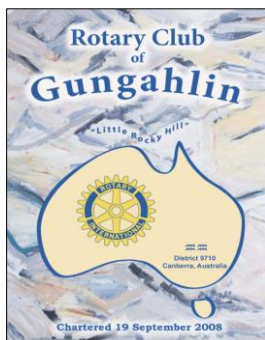
District 9710

The Key

7 March 2016



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Meetings: Mondays 6:30 for 7pm
Temporary Venue (month of March): Belconnen Soccer Club, McKellar

President: Sandra Mahlberg

Secretary: Ian Foster

Last Tuesday – 1st March 2016

Instead of our usual Monday meeting, we had a fun social meeting at The George Harcourt Inn on Tuesday. It was great to get together on a purely social basis, and enjoy each other's' friendship.



Nice to see so many happy smiles!



The new club uniform?



Katie & Aaron waited until Sandra and Brian had finished a couple of drinks before getting them to sign a contract agreeing to babysit any future Davis children.



A coaster contract is valid, right?

This Monday – 7th March 2016

A little earlier in the month than usual is our club assembly and board meeting. Members are encouraged to advise Secretary Ian and President Sandra of any agenda items before the weekend.

Club Visioning

Saturday 27th February brought most of our club together for four hours of creativity, inspiration, and planning for our future. We have come up with a pretty brilliant five-year vision for our club. Now we just have to put it into action! Various members have volunteered for different roles in implementing the plan and keeping everyone on track, but it is up to the whole club to really pull together and make it happen.

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Canberra South's Vocation Visit to Snowyhydro SouthCare Emergency Helicopter Base



ADG Brian and Sandra joined the Rotary Club of Canberra South for their vocation visit to the Snowyhydro SouthCare emergency helicopter base. The club had a quick meal at Canberra South's normal venue at the Capital Golf Club then adjourned to the SouthCare base in Hume.

At the SouthCare base the Rotarians and visitors were given a 20 minute presentation on the services provided by the Snowyhydro SouthCare and some of the history of its operation.

SouthCare services 21 local government areas covering an area from Hay in the west, the Victorian boarder to the south, Condobolin and Orange to the north and the coast between the Victorian boarder and Ulladulla to the east. Most of this area can be reached with 60 minutes flying time from the base. During 2014/15 they flew 509 missions. Experience has shown that in medical emergency trauma, victims have a much higher likelihood of survival if they receive medical treatment and stabilisation during this 'golden hour'.

The crew on each mission comprises the pilot, an aircrew person, a doctor and a paramedic. Crews are available at the base 24/7 ready to be deployed once an emergency is notified. The crew is airborne within 10 to 15 minutes from the time the call is received. During this time the aircraft (helicopter) has to be fuelled with the appropriate amount of fuel depending on the type and distance of the mission and loaded with the appropriate medical and rescue equipment.

SouthCare performs three types of missions:

- Primary – where the crew attends any accident
- Secondary – where patients have to be transfer for more specialised treatment than can be provided in regional hospitals
- Non-medical – usually search and rescue or to provide bushfire assistance

The helicopter is fitted with additional equipment to assist during operations:

- 90 metre winch for situations where it is not possible to land
- Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) device to assist with search and rescue
- Searchlight
- Bear paws for landing on snow or sand
- Long range fuel tanks
- Wire cutters in case aircraft flies into undetected power lines
- 1000 litre bambi bucket for fire fighting

Some statistics about the emergency helicopter operation:

- Total annual operating cost is about \$7 million
- 1400 litre fuel capacity providing 3.5 hours flying time, using 400 litres per hour with a speed of 22kms/hr
- Operating cost is about \$6,000 per hour
- The operation relies on corporate and community support. The service is only partially government funded



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Upcoming Events

Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise Trivia Night

The Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise (RCCS) has invited members to their third annual Trivia Night fund raiser at the National Press Club in Barton, from 7pm on Friday 18th March. This years event will support DeamCricket in the ACT - a fantastic series of activities encouraging disabled children to participate in cricket/sport. As well as being a great fundraiser, this is a fun evening with Greg Bayliss (ABC radio personality) as MC, quiz prizes, raffles and silent auctions. Tickets can be purchased at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/rotary-trivia-fundraiser-2016-tickets-21048574854?aff=es2> Book as an individual or a group but note the registration cut off is 12th of March 2016.

Foundation Seminar on 20th March 2016, Raiders Club Holt

Members are invited to attend an information seminar by the Rotary Foundation on the 20th of March at the Raiders Belconnen, Hardwick Crescent HOLT. The seminar will give everyone a chance to meet the District 9710 Foundation Team for 2016/2017 and learn about the many programs of the Foundation. Start time is 10:30am for 11:00am start, coffee / tea / water and biscuits will be available on arrival. A light lunch will be provided and we are planning for the seminar to conclude no later than 4.00pm. Please register your interest on the District website by using this link <https://www.rotaryd9710.org.au/store/rotary-foundation-seminar.html>

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

March	Water and Sanitation
Sun 6 th March	Rotary Learning Initiative (RLI) Session 2 – Raiders Club Holt – Gordana & Sandra
Mon 7 th March	Meeting – Club Assembly & Board Meeting
Sat 12 th March	BBQ Magnet Mart –Sandra (am), Terry (am), John (pm), Robyn (time?), Ian (time?)
Mon 14 th March	No Meeting– Public Holiday – Canberra Day
Sunday 20 th March	The Rotary Foundation Seminar - Raiders Club, Holt – 11:00am to 4:00pm - Brian
Mon 21 st March	Meeting – Speakers - Francis Mikula-Quitty, Savannah McGuik –RYLA
Fri 25 th & Sun 27 th	Good Friday and Easter Sunday – Also T&T on Sunday
Mon 28 th March	No Meeting – Easter Monday Public Holiday
April	Maternal and Child Health
Sat 2 nd April	Celebrate Gungahlin
Sun 3 rd April	Rotary Learning Initiative (RLI) Session 3 – Raiders Club Holt
Mon 4 th April	Meeting – TBA
Mon 11 th April	Meeting – Club Assembly & Board Meeting
Mon 18 th April	Meeting – TBA
Sun 24 th April	BBQ Bunnings –Ian, Robyn, (more volunteers required)
Mon 25 th April	No Meeting – Public Holiday – ANZAC Day
Sat 30 th April	National Malaria Day
30 th Apr – 1 st May	District Assembly – Berry (members encouraged to attend)

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May	Youth Service Month
Sun 1 st May	T&T – Volunteers required
Mon 2 nd May	Meeting - TBA
Mon 9 th May	Membership Night
13 th to 15 th May	RYPEN Camp – Mogo
Mon 16 th May	Club Assembly & Board Meeting
Sun 22 nd May	T&T – Volunteers required
Mon 23 rd May	Meeting - TBA
Mon 30 th May	Meeting – Sunny from Abundant Water project in Nepal [Brian]

Roster for Meeting Toast:

Meeting	Toast
7 th March	Robyn
14 th March	No Meeting
21 st March	Ian
28 th March	No Meeting
4 th April	Emma
11 th April	Katie
18 th April	Aaron

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

Roster for Thanking Speakers

Meeting	Member
21 st March	Brian
4 th April	Terry
18 th April	Kiri

Please note that you are not only responsible for thanking the speaker, but writing up a blurb about the presentation for the Key. This must be submitted to the PR Gungahlin email by Wednesday at the latest

Please share this newsletter with your friends to let them know what Rotary is about.

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