



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

In contemplating how best to address the DG's membership challenge, I was reminded of the Rotary Brand Centre, which I had not visited for several years.

The Brand Centre is accessible to all Rotarians, by signing in to my.rotary.org (if you need help to do this, please contact me.) Once signed in, you can access an array of types and styles of files all available for club use. For instance, recently I realised that DG Michele was sitting in front of a Rotary background for a zoom meeting – available there, along with others suitable for different types of meetings.

We were looking for a basic three-fold pamphlet – and there are several all ready to be club personalised. If you want a graphic on polio or other areas of focus, they are available to download. Posters and banners are also there ready to use.

There are also videos. There are so many more things there than when I last visited, and we should be using the resources put there for the purpose where possible, ensuring we present a united view of Rotary.

This is also where you can make a club logo. I would caution that you should probably have done the learning course on Public Relations before you do this, as there are limitations on what you should do with what you produce.

And while you are poking around the site, make sure you pop into the Learning Centre <https://my.rotary.org/en/knowledge-and-resources/resources-and-reference> where you can find short courses to help you understand your roles and responsibilities in different club positions. I have found these invaluable, as they clearly lay out what you should and should not do, in simple language.

Whatever your role in Rotary, right from New Member, there are courses you can be doing. There is no charge for these – it is just an opportunity to learn aspects of governance – relevant not only to Rotary, but to many other life situations. It is an opportunity to learn.

Julie

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Tuesdays (and sometimes 5th)
at the Mingara Club at 6:00 for
6:30

Board meetings on the 2nd
Tuesday on zoom and social
nights on the 4th.

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST
of the things we think, say or do

- I. Is it the TRUTH?
- II. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- III. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- IV. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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Stella Turner, RYPEN

On Tuesday 4th August Stella Turner came to the club to report back on her recent experience at winter RYPEN. Stella was accompanied by her mum Tegan.



Stella said that attending RYPEN over a long weekend in June had been a life changing experience and thanked the club for sponsoring her. Participants, who were all 14 to 16 years old, came from a wide range of backgrounds and the many activities they were all involved in were really diverse. They were broken into various colour groups with between 8-10 boys and girls in each & stayed in that group for much of the weekend tackling a range of challenges. These started on Friday with a series of “ice breakers” which soon got everybody relaxed and involved and starting to make friends.

One activity Stella spoke about with particular enthusiasm was Colorfest which involved dressing up in lurid costumes, each group had to show a talent by choosing to take part in a particular activity. Their group chose to do karaoke. Stella showed us some slides and a video clip and helped us to identify her by pointing out that she was in a pink costume standing next to one of her new friends, in an octopus costume. She also told us that every evening they all played “back to base tag”. They then had deep conversations about what challenges they were facing. Stella said she was surprised how quickly they made new friends. Even though most participants were out of their comfort zone, they approached the activities and other participants with an open mind.

Stella commented that she had always thought of herself as “a little bit different” and was pleased that at RYPEN there was no pressure to conform or fit in, that she felt she could be herself and was accepted as such, the activities and discussions encouraged them to open up and be vulnerable. Her colour group included 3 boys and 5 girls (including the octopus), and she now considered them all as friends.

When she returned to school after RYPEN, Stella found it challenging. She felt she did not really know a lot of her fellow students, some of whom she had known for years, as well as she knew the new friends she had made at RYPEN. She felt she had a better understanding of who she was and who she could become and could see that her new way of thinking about things could help her in the years to come. One specific skill she had acquired was the confidence to start conversations with strangers. Tegan said that after returning from RYPEN she talked incessantly about the experience.

When asked what she hoped to do after finishing school Stella said she wanted to go to Uni and study Antarctic science. Julie asked Stella to keep in touch with the club, with a view to participating in the Rotary RYLA program in due course. Stella thanked Julie and added that she had put her name down to help in running RYPEN in the future.

RYPEN



Corinne Terlato - Introductory Speech

Corinne initially approached us to see if Rotary could help her get children's books into Papua New Guinea to support a school whose teacher she had met there. Although we have not yet managed to find a Rotary club that sends regular shipping containers to PNG we have given Corinne some funds to help her send some of her books to the school. Corinne became a friend of the club and has subsequently joined. She was awarded one of the club's major awards at this year's changeover

Corinne was asked to tell members of the club a bit about herself. Below is a summary of what she told us

Corinne originally came from "The Shire" going to Miranda Public and then Endeavour High (which later became a sports high). She stressed that she did not consider herself a baby boomer having been born more than 15 years after WW2 ended.

After school she took up tutoring and casual teaching until she married in 1981. She lived with her husband Bob in a caravan for 2 years in a backyard in Figtree, building an annex when the 1st babe came. She continued tutoring: Italian at Kiama High, English at tech and had a special gift in imparting the secrets of mastering fractions and decimals.

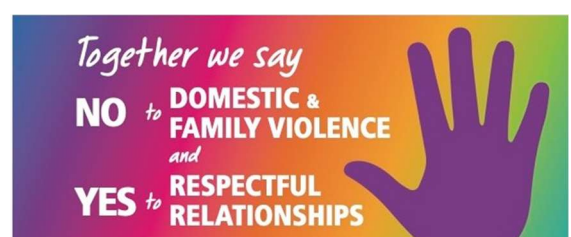
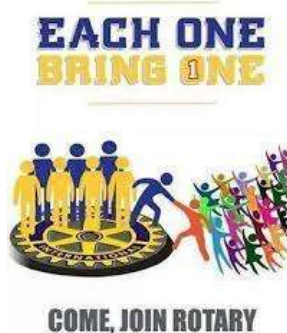
They built up a 10% house deposit from savings and borrowing from family and friends and bought a house for \$55k (probably worth \$850k today) and they survived interest rates going up to 17%. They eventually had 6 children ranging in age now from 28 to 43. They have one son who is unmarried but the daughters gave them grandchildren ranging from 11 to 19 years old.

They moved to the Central Coast and at one time owned a shop in Killarney Vale. Corinne has continued to tutor. She has never become a permanent teacher. They have been involved in local sports. Bob has had a range of roles as a fixer or repairman.



They often run a market stall where they sell jam, which Corinne makes. *Having tried her strawberry jam I can thoroughly recommend it. It is delicious!* Corinne enjoys going to markets, ops shops etc where she also looks at the children's books to see if they are ones suitable to send to PNG. She acknowledged help from Abraham from the "Faith in Action Church" who had kindly taken over a batch of books in his personal luggage and also given some money to the school in PNG. **(Picture left)**

President Julie added that Corinne had a lot of energy and cited her help in delivering brochures to promote the club's newly established DCaf at the PCYC at Bateau Bay, and how she enjoyed working with Corinne over the busy lunchtime peak at Bunnings BBQs.



Would you consider becoming a Rotary Centurion?

Rotary asks for club donations to the Rotary Foundation, but it also encourages individual members to donate \$100 p.a to the Foundation through the Centurian scheme. Currently six of our club members are Centurions (*in the Roman Army a Centurion was in command of 100 men.*) Personal contributions are added to the club's total contribution.

President Julie, Pam and I attended a breakfast meeting at Kariong Somersby to hear Foundation Director (and past DG) Niranjana Deodhar give a presentation about the Foundation. He said how important it was to Rotary and how it enables us to fund Projects that "make a difference" all over the world.

Monies donated to the Foundation each year stay there for three years earning income before being made available as International or District Grants. I will talk in more length about District and International Grants in a future article, but this article will concentrate on the Centurion Programme.

The Centurion programme enables us to contribute individually as our financial circumstances permit. The donation is tax deductible. Currently six (40%) of our members are Centurions. With many thousands of Rotarians in Australia it is a substantial stream of funding for the foundation. Monies raised in 2026/27 will boost the amount available for clubs to receive in grants in three years' time i.e. 2029/30

Rotary The Entrance has successfully applied for grants several times in the last 10 years. In Gordon's first term as President a grant of \$2500 was successfully applied for which when matched with \$2500 raised by a theatre fundraiser supported a project to supply electronic whiteboards to Aspect School at Terrigal, and more recently we used the same formula to provide them with computers. In between we bought an ECG machine for the HoTS Team (Health on the Streets) using a district grant and last year we applied for and received a \$2500 matching grant to fund the new Girls Fit for Life Program run by the PCYC.



And whilst we do not become Centurions to become a Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) it is true that when a member's Centurion donations reach \$1000 US that a PHF is awarded to them.

I am the Club's Foundation Director this year and I ask all members if they have thought of becoming a Centurion? I am happy to answer any questions that you may have.

Clive - Foundation Director 26/27

Activities at the DCaf this month

We are settling in nicely with our DCaf! Our volunteers are now feeling more comfortable interacting with our guests, and we are very lucky to have the invaluable input of Monica Hart (Erina Rotary) in developing some interesting activities for us all to participate in. She has been researching different activities, and we seem to be on a winner with balloons. Although we were cautioned against the loud noise a popping balloon might make, we have been surprised at the enthusiasm which whacking a balloon with a half pool noodle has evoked! It seems that we are all kids at heart, and a dose of good old-fashioned competition seems to put everyone in a good mood!





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Reminder, our **"3R's"** apply to any form of abuse to women, men, children and our elderly:

1. **Recognise** signs of abuse
2. **Raise** your concerns "safely"
3. **Refer** victim to one of the many family violence agencies OR Make the call yourself!



MEMBERS		Partner	landline	Mobile
	BEATON, Lenore	Wendy Beaton *		0422 212 170
PP PHF	BENNETT, John	Linda Trewern		0433 945 050
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PHF	CANNINGS, Don	Shirley *	4339 9093	0421 838 504
3PP PHF	CRAWFORD, Gordon	Sue Kemp PHF *		0412 133 700
	DEAN, Anthea			0423 366 799
3PP 3PHF	DENMARK, Clive	Jenny		0400 425 210
PHF	GLOVER, Julie	Phil PP PHF *		0427 426 393
3PP 3PHF	HEARDER, Robin	Judi *	4333 8087	0404 160 548
	HECKENBERG, Julia			420734893
	LIGHT, Pam			0407 483 355
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PHF	MALONEY, Greg	Ros		0414 389 590
	TERLATO, Corinne	Bob	4332 3662	
2PP 2PHF	WATERHOUSE, David	Dianne PHF		0450 068 887
PDG 4PP 6PHF	WARD, Peter	Anne Cantrill	4385 1277	0414 321 773



None this month!

*Family members

Upcoming Program

September			2026	
1st	Tues	Jamie Vincent	Mingara	Tumbi Umbi
1st	Tues	The Entrance DCaf	Julie's Home	Tumbi Umbi
5th	Sat	Spin & Win		Bateau Bay
8th	Tues	Board Meeting Zoom		Zoom
15th	Tues	Louise Paul and Special General Meeting	Mingara	Tumbi Umbi
15th	Tues	The Entrance DCaf	PCYC	Bateau Bay
22nd	Tues	Social Meeting	???	
27th	Sun	Bunnings BBQ		
29th	Tues			
October			2026	
3rd	Sat	Spin & Win	Raffle Tickets	Bateau Bay
6th	Tues	External Speaker	Mingara	Tumbi Umbi
6th	Tues	The Entrance DCaf	PCYC	Bateau Bay
10-11th		Raffle Distribution	Foyer Mingara	Mingara
13th	Tues	Board Meeting Zoom		Zoom
20th	Tues	Internal Speaker	Mingara	Tumbi Umbi
20th	Tues	The Entrance DCaf	PCYC	Bateau Bay
25th	Sun	Bunnings BBQ		
27th	Tues	External Speaker		
November			2026	
3rd	Tues	Social Meeting	Preview Rest	Ourimba
3rd	Tues	The Entrance DCaf	PCYC	Bateau Bay
7th	Sat	Spin & Win	Raffle Tickets	Bateau Bay
10th	Tues	Board Meeting Zoom		Zoom
17th	Tues	Internal Speaker	Mingara	Tumbi Umbi
17th	Tues	The Entrance DCaf	PCYC	Bateau Bay
24th	Tues	Social Meeting	???	
28th-29th	Sat-Sun	Christmas Trees		
December			2026	
1st	Tues	External Speaker	Mingara	Tumbi Umbi
1st	Tues	The Entrance DCaf Christmas Party	PCYC	Bateau Bay
5th-6th	Sat-Sun	Christmas Trees	Mingara	Tumbi Umbi
8th	Tues	AGM	Mingara	Tumbi Umbi
15th	Tues	Christmas Party with Erina		
22nd	Tues	No Meeting	???	
29th	Tues	No Meeting		