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Projects Portfolio

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District 9810 Projects Portfolio

This document provides a summary of major Rotary programs, multi-district projects and significant Rotary club-based projects that D9810 clubs may consider supporting in the 2019-20 year. It is designed to be read in conjunction with the District Directory. If you're looking for other international projects or partners, RI has a database at http://ideas.rotary.org/Project/Find

Club Project Development Process

The following is a step-by-step guide of how to develop Rotary club projects from a one-off community event/project right up to a major local or international project that offers tax-deductibility.

Project Compliance Reporting

Rotary clubs who have a turnover of less than $150,000 are not required to register for GST and therefore cannot claim for GST. Note that "giving to others" (donations) should not be included in the total. Rotary clubs are classed as "Not for Profit" and must register with Consumer Affairs to undertake fundraising. Annual returns must be completed and audited accounts must also be submitted if the fundraising turnover exceeds $250,000.

Developing a one-off community event/project

1. Identify stakeholders.
2. Undertake a community needs analysis.
3. Identify project partners.
4. Complete a risk analysis using the district guidelines.
5. Check on insurance compliance (referring to the Rotary insurance policy).
6. Develop the project budget and determine the breakeven cost.
7. Investigate funding sources including:
    a. Club fundraising
    b. Rotary district grant
    c. Sponsorships
    d. Government grants
    e. Council cash and in-kind grants
    f. Businesses and philanthropic organisations
    g. Interested individuals
8. Determine logistics.
9. Develop effective publicity ensuring the correct use of Rotary marks by either using your club logo based on the Rotary International Branding Guidelines or by positioning the statement "a project of the Rotary club of ……" directly under the Rotary wheel.

Developing repeating community event/projects

1. Identify stakeholders.
2. Undertake a community needs analysis.
3. Identify project partners.
4. Complete a risk analysis using the district guidelines.
5. Check on insurance compliance (referring to the Rotary insurance policy).
6. Develop the project budget and determine the breakeven cost.
7. Develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with project partner/s.
8. Determine the capacity of the club to run the event/project over time.

Developing a one-off community event/project (continued)

Investigate funding sources including:

a. Club fundraising
b. Rotary district or global grants
c. Sponsorships
d. Government grants
e. Council cash and in-kind grants
f. Businesses and philanthropic organisations
g. Interested individuals

9. Determine logistics.
10. Develop effective publicity ensuring the correct use of Rotary marks by either using your club logo based on the Rotary International Branding Guidelines or by positioning the statement "a project of the Rotary club of ……" directly under the Rotary wheel.

Developing a major local or international project

1. Identify stakeholders.
2. Undertake a community needs analysis.
3. Identify project partners.
4. Complete a risk analysis using the district guidelines.
5. Check on insurance compliance (referring to the Rotary insurance policy).
6. Develop the project budget and determine the breakeven cost.
7. Determine logistics.
8. Investigate funding sources including:
    a. Club fundraising
    b. Rotary district or global grants
    c. Sponsorships
    d. Government grants
    e. Council cash and in-kind grants
    f. Businesses and philanthropic organisations
    g. Interested individuals
9. Run a pilot project.
10. Seek permission from the District Governor to promote the project within the district.
11. Fundraise for the first main stage of the project by presenting at other Rotary clubs.
12. Develop effective publicity ensuring the correct use of Rotary marks by either using your club logo based on the Rotary International Branding Guidelines or by positioning the statement "a project of the Rotary club of ……" directly under the Rotary wheel.
13. Check to see if the projected budget is going to affect the club's $150,000 ceiling.
14. If required apply register the project for tax deductibility through RAWCS (Rotary World Community Service) for international projects. A 2.75% service fee (inclusive of GST) will be deducted from all donations before funds are passed to the project.
15. District 9810 has now established the "Rotary District 9810 Charitable Services Trust", a tax-deductible fund for projects within Australia that meet certain criteria set by the Australian Tax Office.
    For further information contact PDG David Tolstrup or PDG David Alexander.
16. On-going project management and logistics including project supervision including local or international visits by authorised persons who have been registered for Rotary insurance cover.
17. If the project develops quickly seek permission from Governors from other districts to speak to clubs in those districts.

Major local or international project (structured as an Incorporated Association)

1. Identify stakeholders.
2. Undertake a community needs analysis.
3. Identify project partners.
4. Complete a risk analysis using the district guidelines.
5. Check on insurance compliance (referring to the Rotary insurance policy).
6. Develop the project budget and determine the breakeven cost.
7. Investigate funding sources including:
    a. Club fundraising
    b. Rotary district or global grants
    c. Sponsorships
    d. Government grants
    e. Businesses
    f. Philanthropic organisations
    g. Interested individuals
8. Determine logistics.
9. Run a pilot project.
10. Seek permission from the District Governor to promote the project within the district.
11. Fundraise for the first main stage of the project by presenting at other Rotary clubs.
12. Develop effective publicity ensuring the correct use of Rotary marks by either using your club logo based on the Rotary International Branding Guidelines or by positioning the statement "a project of the Rotary club of ……" directly under the Rotary wheel.
13. If the project is actively supported by other clubs in the district seek approval of the club's board set up a separate Incorporated Association if projected turnover is going to affect the club's $150,000 ceiling.
14. Ensure that the Committee of Management of the new Incorporated Association is made up entirely from members of the Rotary club and include this statement in the Rules. This will ensure that all activities of this entity are under the control of the Rotary club and therefore should be covered by the Rotary insurance policy subject to approval by the National Insurance Committee.
15. Provide a copy of the Rules of the Association to the District Insurance Officer for approval as an authorised associated Rotary entity.
16. If required apply register the project for tax deductibility through RAWCS (Rotary World Community Service) for international projects. A 2.75% service fee (inclusive of GST) will be deducted from donations before funds are passed to the project.
17. District 9810 has now established the "Rotary District 9810 Charitable Services Trust", a tax-deductible fund for projects within Australia that meet certain criteria set by the Australian Tax Office. For further information, contact PDG David Alexander.
18. On-going projects management and logistics including project supervision including local or international visits by authorised persons who have been nominated to comply with the Rotary insurance policy.
19. Report annually to Consumer Affairs for fundraising and audited accounts (if the total turnover exceeds $250,000.
20. Produce Annual Reports.

Travel and Accident Insurance while working on Rotary projects

In addition to comprehensive insurance cover for normal Rotary activities at home comprehensive travel, disablement and death insurance is available to nominated persons who are authorised to work on Rotary projects in Australia and overseas including Rotary club members, their spouses (and de factos and partners), volunteer workers, honorary members, host families, prospective members (from the time their membership has been approved). It is recommended that any authorised persons travelling on Rotary business carry a copy of the Rotary Insurance Summary.

The Chubb Emergency Assistance phone number is + 61-2-8907-5995 overseas (Reverse Charges accepted) or 02 8907 5995 if ringing from within Australia.

Full cover is available for persons 13 years to 79 years of age some cover is available for persons 80-89 however there are some exclusions apply for further information contact the District Insurance Officer (DIO). The policy has very minimal cover for persons 90 years to 95 years unfortunately no cover at all after 95. The Policy covers for persons with pre-existing conditions, however this is only available when a medical clearance certificate for travel has been provided by a Medical Practitioner, certain conditions as outlined in the policy could be excluded. There are Principal exclusions under the policy, which are primarily dangerous activities such as sky diving bungee jumping etc.

The above comments are summaries only. Anyone planning to travel for a Rotary project is advised to read the following documents:

- Insurance Renewal Summary & Handbook
- Rotary Insurance Summary
- RAWCS Insurance Explained

Registering for Rotary Insurance

There are two ways of registering for Rotary Travel and Accident Insurance:

1. Nomination of an authorised person/s by a club's board or a project's committee of management:
    a. The nominated person's name, dates of travel (including any private travel) and destination/s to be included in the minutes of a meeting of the club's board or minutes of a meeting of an entity that is under the control of the club's board that has been approved for insurance cover by the DIO.
    b. A Rotary Insurance Travel Authorisation form must be completed and sent to the DIO before travel Insurance can be arranged. These forms are available from the DIO.
    c. The DIO will notify the Insurance Brokers who will then provide a summary of insurance cover and insurer emergency contacts.
2. Nomination of volunteers for a RAWCS (Rotary Australia Community Service) project or a club project that is registered through RAWCS:
    a. The authorised volunteer fills in a RAWCS Volunteer Application form online.
    b. The completed form is printed out and is signed by the club president.
    c. The signed form is scanned and uploaded to the RAWCS website.
    a. The RAWCS website automatically informs the Insurance Brokers who then provide a summary of insurance cover and insurer emergency contacts.

The Rotary Foundation (TRF)

Contact for Foundation Information: Tony Monley acmonley+Rotary@gmail.com

Foundation Grants

Contact for Grants Information: District Grants Chair, Graham Richardson – gmrichardson@bigpond.com

Club Qualification

Clubs must be qualified each Rotary year to apply for Global Grants, and to continue to manage them as a Primary Partner until closure. Clubs are not required to be qualified to apply for District Grants.

Qualification requires clubs to have at least one representative attend the District Grants Seminar (May annually). However, the District Foundation Committee strongly encourages clubs to have both the President and Club Foundation Committee Chair for the coming Rotary year, attend this seminar.

Qualification also requires clubs to sign a **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** with the district, agreeing to its terms, and TRF's Terms and Conditions for Grants. **The MOU is to be signed by the incoming President and President Elect.**

R.I. Website References

Having logged in to the RI website using your My Rotary logon, roll the cursor over the menu item, *Take Action*, and under "APPLY FOR GRANTS" Click on *Qualification*.

Then, in the section, "RESOURCES AND REFERENCE", refer to the 3 articles:
Club Qualification Memorandum of Understanding
Club Memorandum of Understanding Resources - A Guide to Implementing the Club MOU
Club qualification worksheet and frequently asked questions

District Grants

District Grants are available for Local, Small International, Scholarship and Themed Projects as determined by the incoming District Governor.
(Monetary amounts are expressed in AUD)

- Prior to, or at, the District Grants Seminar, the incoming District Governor will announce the types of grants and programs, and the District Designated Funding to be allocated to these programs.
- District (Humanitarian) Grants (DGs) assist funding of short-term projects, either local or international, that support the Foundation's Mission. They include:
    - **Local Projects**: Club contributions attract a DDF match, $-for-$ from $1000 min to $3,000.
    - **International Projects**: Club contributions attract a DDF match, $-for-$ from $2,000 min to $5,000.
- Scholarship Grants of $1,000 will be available on an individual club basis, to fund small scholarships at secondary educational institutions. Clubs will nominate the school, college or educational institution, and the Principal will choose the recipient students (whose names may need to be kept confidential).

- **Scholarship Projects:** Club contributions of $1,000 attract a DDF scholarship grant of $1,000. The total scholarship may be used for up to 4 students. They are for situations of financial disadvantage, and must not be used for reward.
- **Other Themed Programs** announced by the incoming District Governor may also be available, details of which will be included when they are announced.
- **Clubs are required to nominate no more than one project for each Grant type available, preferably by the time of the District Training Assembly, but no later than 30th June.** This is to enable the District Committee to apply to TRF for release of the upcoming year's District Grant funds.
- Application forms for all District Grant types will be downloadable from the district website under *Club & District Operations / The Rotary Foundation / Grants*.
- Completed application forms should be directed to the District Grants Chair.

District 9810 Guidelines

- When nominating DG projects, please use the format:

Grant Type	Project	Project Country	Grant Amount
Hum/Sch/VTT			

- An email with this information is preferable. (If later, a club wishes to substitute another project, you must notify the Grants Subcommittee Chair before submitting an application).
- Clubs may apply for their nominated grants from 1st July in the new Rotary year. Applications for other or additional projects will not be approved until the following January. No grant application can be approved until the Foundation has approved the District Grant.
- If applications for nominated projects have not been received by 30 November, reservation of the grant money for those projects will cease and be returned to the grant pool. From the following January, after assessing the remaining amount of DG money, grants will be awarded in sequence of their approval.
- All Grants are awarded on a per project basis, (not per participating club).
- When approving grants, consideration will be given to the Club's history of contributions to the Foundation.
- It is anticipated that most Scholarship grants will be paid by the start of the new school year.
- If the goods and/or services from a single supplier total $500 or more, a Supplier Quotation must be provided with the application.
- Payment of humanitarian Grants is by way of reimbursement and dependent upon acceptance of a District Grant Report. This is to be accompanied by a copy of invoices and/or receipts, from which the statement of expenses in the report can be reconciled. The Report Form is available for download from the District website.
- Projects should complete within the Rotary year in order for the club to participate in the DG program in the following year. If a humanitarian project will extend into the next Rotary year, the outstanding balance of the grant will be paid to the club early in the new year. The club will then not be eligible for another DG until that project has been closed, (meaning the project is complete, a report on it is accepted, and any unused grant money has been returned to the District Grants Committee).

Summary of District Grant Expenditure 2019-20
Total district funds available US$59k= A$83k(allowing for a conversion rate of 1.41)

District 9810 Projects	Total funds
10 Scholarships of $1,000. Must be fully matched by the club contribution	**A$10,000**
Humanitarian Projects Local – $1,000 to $3,000 with value of project being at least $2,000. International - $2,000 to $5,000 with value of project being at least $4,000. Both grant types require a Club matching contribution $-for-$. If project budget requires, clubs must contribute the additional funds needed.	**A$72,179**
Administration of Grants	**A$500**
Total District Grants	**A$82,679**

Global Grants (Monetary amounts are expressed in USD's)

- Global Grants assist funding of large scale International Humanitarian projects, Vocational Training Teams and post-graduate Scholarships, that align with one or more Area of Focus.
- Involve partnering clubs and/or districts in two countries – a Host Partner is a club or district in the country receiving the project benefit, an International Partner must come from another country and district.
- Respond to a need that the benefitting community has identified (and which is expressed in the Needs Assessment part of the online application). Note that from 1st July 2018, A Community Needs Assessment is mandatory.
- Projects must include the active involvement of the benefitting community, and also the non-financial involvement of Rotarians from the Host and International partnering clubs.
- Applications must include activities that ensure that project benefits continue after the project funds have been expended, *(sustainability),* – the target is 5 to 10 years of benefit.
- Applications must identify the measures that will be used to assess and report project progress and the success of the project. Targets must be set for these measures, *(measurability)*.
- Partner clubs must accept responsibility for reporting to TRF, as required, which, at the time of reporting, describes project progress, the outcomes of financial control, measurability and sustainability.
- A separate bank account must be set up by the Host Partner especially for the project. Statements of expenditure must be included in the report and be able to be reconciled with the transactions shown on copies of the project account bank statement which are to be forwarded with each report. Reporting is an online process.
- Reporting obligations of all partner clubs and districts involved with other GGs must be up to date to receive a grant. (The online application prevents suspended clubs and districts from being involved).
- GG Applications will be processed year-round (there is no deadline for applications).
- Partner clubs must refer to the District Grants Committee as **early as possible** in the project development process to plan the availability of DDF for project funding and for guidance with developing the GG Application.
- Requirements for needs assessment, recruiting of partners for the project and project planning, take considerable time.

Project Types:

- **Humanitarian Projects** – that derive from one or more of the Areas of Focus
- **Vocational Training Teams (VTT)** – that:
    - Enhance specialist knowledge of local professionals through teaching and practical guidance, or
    - Build skills within a community through the provision of local training, or
    - Support professionals travelling abroad for rigorous study within their profession.
    - VTTs may be most effective in conjunction with a humanitarian project
- **Scholarships** – that fund study by graduate students whose career goals support an Area of Focus.

Funding of Global Grant (GG) Projects

- The minimum Global Grant is US$15,000, and the minimum Global Grant project budget is US$30,000.
- The District Foundation Committee has thus determined that the practical minimum amount for club contributions to a GG project is US$10,000. This will fund a project budget of around US$35,000, given TRF's minimum constraints.
- D9810 Club contributions of up to US$10,000 and more will attract an equal District Designated Fund (DDF) match by the District up to US$10,000 maximum, on a per project basis.
- Club contributions will receive a match from TRF of 50c-for-$ contributed, for all club and district cash contributed to the project.
- Contributions of DDF will receive a match from TRF of $-for-$ contributed, for all DDF contributed to the project.
- The International Partners must contribute at least 30% of the total cash and DDF funding.
- Where club contributions are paid via TRF, that is, through the Regional Office (Parramatta), the club must add 5% to assist with the processing costs of TRF. For example, for a contribution to a project of US$5,000 the club must pay US$5,250. The total contribution will be credited to the club for PHF purposes.
- If the contribution is paid directly to the Host club's project account, the 5% addition is not required, but no credits will accrue and the contribution will not be eligible for PHF recognition.

Funding of "Outside" Global Grants Projects

- With the agreement of the District Governor and Foundation Committee Chair, D9810 clubs may apply for the District to support GG projects with DDF, where neither of the Primary Partner clubs belongs to D9810.
- If the DDF is available, it will be provided to a maximum US$5,000 per project, as long as it is matched equally or more to the DDF amount by the requesting D9810 club or clubs.
- There is no limit to the dollar amount contributed to such projects by the club or clubs, and the 5% levy must be included with the club donations if paid via TRF.

District 9810 Procedures / Policies

- Once your club has decided to undertake a GG project which is supported by its Needs Assessment, contact is to be made with the Chair of the District Grants Committee. A committee member will advise on TRF technical matters, the use and allocation of DDF, and assist with the development of your online Global Grant Application.
- Given the large amounts of money involved with GGs and the DDF resources available, it is probable that only a maximum of five to six new projects a year can be supported. The projects to be assisted will be selected by the District Foundation Committee, with selection based on the value of the project to the benefitting community, compliance with TRF's requirements, and the clubs' history of contributions to the Foundation and early notification of projects.
- If, within four months of notification an application is unlikely, the reservation of DDF for the project will lapse. GGs which fund Scholarships are also to be referred to the District Scholarships Committee chair, Peter Murie petermurie@bigpond.com.
- GG Applications supporting Scholarships and VTTs need to be submitted to TRF at least three months before travel commences.

Global Grant, Polio and Peace Centre Expenditure 2017-18 - amounts shown in USD

District 9810 Projects and supported programs	Total funds
Global Grants maximum of US$10k matched	**US$79,371** (Including funds carried forward from prior years)
Polio Challenge Grants A matching grant of US$1,000 per club for the first 20 clubs that contribute at least US$1,000 to Polio Eradication**.**	**US$20,000**
Peace Centres Contribution	**US$5,000**

The Rotary Foundation Six Areas of Focus

United Nations Sustainable Development Goals Agreed 25 September 2015

Across all initiatives

R.I. Website Grant References

Having logged in to Rotary International website, roll the cursor over the menu item, *Take Action*, and under *APPLY FOR GRANTS* Click on *Global Grants*.

Then, under *RESOURCES AND REFERENCE,* refer to the publications:

Terms and Conditions for Rotary Foundation District Grants and Global Grants
Areas of Focus Policy Statements
Grant Management Manual
Six Steps to Sustainability
Global Grant Lifecycle
Global Grant Monitoring and Evaluation Plan Supplement
Global Grant Online Application Process
10 Ways to Improve Your Global Grant Application
Reporting on Global Grants

Vocational Training Teams

VTTs offer participants the opportunity to use their professional skills to help others. Teams are comprised of experienced practitioners in fields related to the needs of a community which align with one of the Areas of Focus. Thus teams may travel to work and/or teach overseas, or to benefit the team members by enhancing their knowledge and experience. Hands-on activities will vary from one team to the next, but may include training medical professionals on cardiac surgery and care, sharing best practices on early childhood education, or coaching farmers on new irrigation techniques. A successful VTT increases the capacity of the host community to solve problems and improve the quality of life.

District Grant VTTs

Requirements

District Grant VTTs must support The Rotary Foundation's mission to promote goodwill and peace, improve health, support education, and alleviate poverty.

Team composition

The district may determine the composition of the team to include Rotarians and non-Rotarians of any age. The focus and the length of the visit are determined by the sponsors. The districts may decide, for example, to incorporate some cultural activities along with hands-on training, or to sponsor an exchange with the partner district.

Budget

To be determined by the sponsors. DG support as described under "District Grants", above.

Global Grant VTTs

Requirements

- Must align with one or more areas of focus
- Build the capacity of either the team members or the benefiting community, and
- Have a sustainable and measurable impact.
- The VTT must be sponsored by Rotary clubs or districts from two countries. The grant may support the travel of more than one team.
- A VTT can be included as part of a Humanitarian Global Grant.

Team composition

- Must consist of at least two members (either Rotarians or non-Rotarians) with at least two years of professional experience in the designated Area of Focus, and
- A Rotarian leader who has expertise in the area of focus, international experience, and general Rotary knowledge.

In certain cases, the Foundation may grant permission to designate a non-Rotarian as team leader. There are no restrictions on the age of participants.

Length of the visit: Determined by the sponsors

Budget: Is subject to GG Conditions, and therefore must be at least US$30,000.
A needs analysis is an essential task to be done in consultation with the benefitting community, in preparation for a Global Grant to support a VTT. Rotarians are encouraged to identify needs and find partners through the RI website, the District Grant VTT Partner Forum on LinkedIn, and by developing relationships at international Rotary meetings or project fairs.

Rotary International Programs

The Rotary Foundation

Club Contributions

Clubs from districts who contribute to the Annual Fund can benefit by applying for district or global grants that are funded out of District Designated Funds (DDF). Up to 50% of the total amount donated to The Rotary Foundation by Rotary clubs or individual Rotarians three years previously is returned as District Designated Funds for investment in global grants, district grants and other Rotary international programs.

Club giving target for 2019-20: A$150 per member per club

Planned Personal Giving

Tax deductible donations can be made through the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust.

Arch C. Klumph Society

Donors whose cumulative gifts total US$250,000 qualify for the Arch C. Klumph Society.

Bequest Society

For couples or individuals who have made commitments of $10,000 or more in their estate plans, such as in a will, living trust, or through whole or universal life insurance. You must ask to become a Bequest Society member by filling out a form.

http://www.rotary.org/en/Contribute/DonorRecognition/IndividualRecognition/Pages/bequestsociety.aspx

Major Donors

The Rotary Foundation recognizes couples or individuals whose combined personal outright or cumulative giving has reached $10,000.

Level Contribution (US$): Level 4 $100,000 to $249,999; Level 3 $50,000 to $99,999;

Level 2 $25,000 to $49,999; Level 1 $10,000 to $24,999.

Paul Harris Society

Since 1998 Paul Harris Society Rotarians have pledged to contribute US$1,000 annually to the Annual Programs Fund.

Paul Harris Fellow/Multiple Paul Harris Fellow

Donors of US$1,000 or more to the Annual Programs Fund, PolioPlus, or the Humanitarian Grants Program, or people who have that amount contributed in their name, can be recognized as Paul Harris Fellows.

http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/123en_write.pdf

100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

Rotary clubs in which all dues-paying members are Paul Harris Fellows can be certified as a 100 Percent Paul Harris Fellow Club.

Every Rotarian Every Year / (formerly Centurions)

Regular donations (tax deductible) each year to The Rotary Foundation Annual Programs Fund via the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust.

EFT Payments to the Foundation					
Type of Donor / Donation	**Account Name**	**BSB**	**Account**	**Notify**	**Description on Deposit**
Tax Receipt Required	The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust	332-084	5510 38 195	All Deposits: risppo@rotary.org Individual Donations: 1. Every Rotarian Every Year: kochanattujoy@gmail.com 2. Paul Harris Society: gregking.rotary@gmail.com	Club / Donor Name (do not put "Rotary Club of…")
Tax Receipt Not Required	The Rotary Foundation	332-084	1003 45 225	All Deposits: risppo@rotary.org Club Giving: jba25492@bigpond.net.au Polio (Club donations): sfisher9@bigpond.net.au Benefactors & Bequests to Endowment Fund: jba25492@bigpond.net.au	

District Grant

Clubs can determine the types of scholars they wish to sponsor using funds from a District Grant. These could include:

- Undergraduate or graduate students studying locally, any subject matter.
- Undergraduate or graduate students studying abroad, any subject matter.
- Study periods of any length (language training, a certificate program, a semester, a year or more).

Global Grant

Scholarships awarded through global grants may or may not be a component of a larger grant application (e.g. scholarship plus a humanitarian project). If the grant is also funding a humanitarian project, the scholarship portion could be less than $30,000, but the overall grant budget must be at least $30,000. These scholarships are funded using cash and/or DDF allocations and are matched by the World Fund, making them a cost-effective choice.
These scholarships fund:

- Graduate students studying abroad in one of the six areas of focus.
- Scholarships lasting one to four years, thereby enabling Rotarians to fund entire degree programs.

Funding Scholars

District Grant Scholarships: Consult Grants Coordinator Graham Richardson – requires Club funding.
Global Grant Scholarships: Clubs may sponsor applicants independently, using cash for a World Fund match. In addition/alternatively, clubs may work through D9810 to obtain DDF funding for a World Fund match. The DDF allocation is drawn from the year in which the application is approved.

Application closing dates

District grant scholarship applications: contact Peter Murie for District 9810 timelines.
Global grant scholarship proposals and applications are accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year. Applications and payment information should be submitted at least three months before studies begin in order to allow adequate time for Foundation review and processing.
http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/fv_grant_terms_conditions_en.pdf

Opportunities for Rotarian Support

1. Become a counsellor for a scholar.
2. Invite scholars to speak at your club.

Further information

Peter Murie petermurie@bigpond.com 0419 106 765
Graham Richardson - Grants Coordinator gmrichardson@gmail.com
http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/fv_scholarships_en.pdf

Rotary International Programs

Peace Scholarships (Rotary Centres for International Studies)

Description

2 year - US50,000 scholarship funded by The Rotary Foundation

Overview

Rotary Peace Fellows are leaders promoting national and international cooperation, peace, and the successful resolution of conflict throughout their lives, in their careers, and through service activities.

Fellows can earn either a master's degree in international relations, public administration, sustainable development, peace studies, conflict resolution, or a related field, or a professional development certificate in peace and conflict resolution.

Rotary Peace Centres include:

- University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia.
- Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand.
  (Professional Development Centre – 3 month course).
- Duke University and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA.
- International Christian University, Tokyo, Japan.
- University of Bradford, West Yorkshire, England.
- Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden.

Applications

Interested candidates must apply for Rotary Peace Fellowships through their local Rotary club. District deadline applications 15 April - clubs to submit applications to the district selection committee. District-endorsed Rotary Peace Fellowship applications are due to The Rotary Foundation by 1 July.

Opportunities for Rotarian support

Endowment opportunities: An endowed fund is a gift made to the Permanent Fund of The Rotary Foundation. The principal of an endowed fund is never spent, and a portion of the income is made available for the Rotary Peace Centres as specified by the donor.

Contact

Peter Murie petermurie@bigpond.com 0419 106 765

For further information

http://www.rotary.org/en/studentsandyouth/educationalprograms/rotarycentersforinternationalstudies/Pages/ridefault.aspx

Rotary International Programs

Polio Eradication - Polio Plus Immunisation Program

Description

Global Polio Eradication - Rotary International's Flagship Program for almost 30 years. D9810 has funded the immunisation of more than 1 million children against polio over the last 3 years. Cost of vaccination 65 cents per child (under 5).

Target 2019-20

US$20,000 – The first 20 clubs to contribute US$1,000 will be matched with a US$1,000 District Grant.

Opportunities for Rotary participation

- National Immunization Day – India – end of February each year.
- Polio survivors – Victoria. Post-polio syndrome.
- Private Rotarian donations to the Polio Appeal can be forwarded to the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust ABN 55 218 421 934 (Endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient) or donate directly to Rotary's challenge at www.rotary.org/endpolio Donors in Australia can automatically transfer funds electronically from their cheque, savings, or credit card accounts by enrolling in TRF-DIRECT. Once enrolled, donors can contribute to PolioPlus]

Club Speakers and Further Information

Contact Foundation Polio Coordinator Stephen Fisher sfisher9@bigpond.net.au

Rotary International Programs

District Resource Network

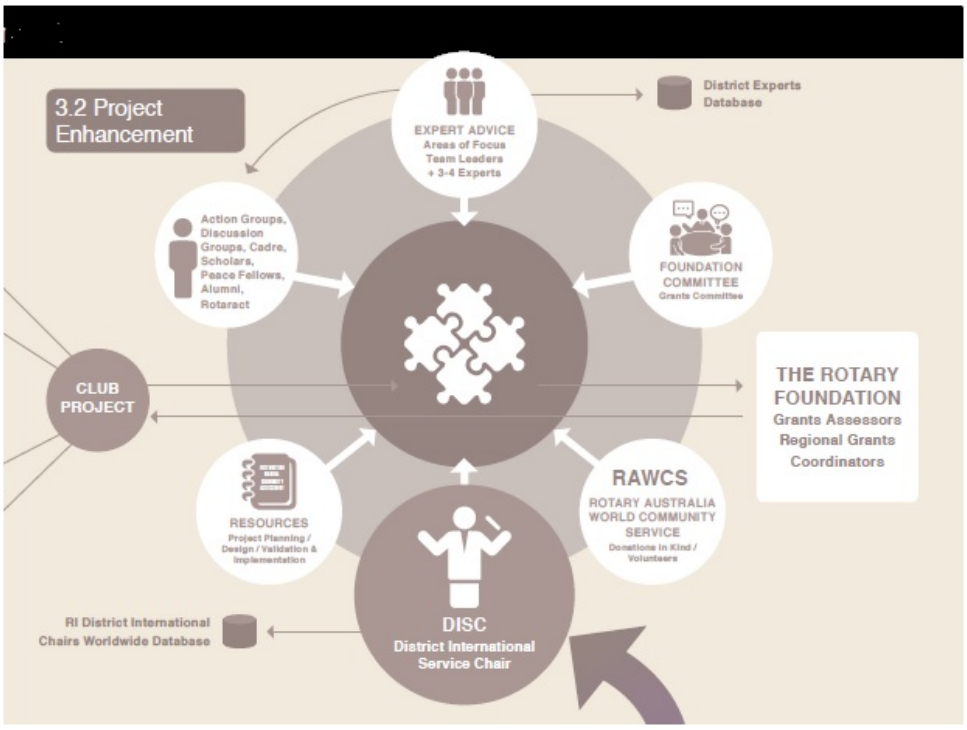
Description

In 2017, the Board and Trustees approved the expansion of project enhancement to all of Rotary's areas of focus. The goal is to increase the quality, impact, and sustainability of projects and global grants by building capacity for international service through the use of Rotarian expertise in the planning process and beyond. Better use of Rotarian expertise and resources through the establishment of District Resource Networks will assist Rotary to meet its project enhancement goals.

District Resource Network (DRN)
DRNs are comprised of local Rotarian and Rotary alumni experts who can serve as mentors early in the planning process to improve projects or global grants. They can include Alumni, Peace Fellows, Rotaractors, Rotarian Action Group members, and members of The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers, and others with relevant project experience.

The District International Service Chair (DISC), David Alexander, is establishing a network of expertise in:

- project planning /management
- all the Areas of Focus
- grant preparation.



For further information; including support for your project, please contact:
David Alexander david.alexander9810@gmail.com 0418 993 297

Community Service Projects

Australian Rotary Health (ARH)

Description

ARH is a major research fund and grants organization and is the largest Australia-wide project undertaken by Rotary. It is a registered charity wholly owned and managed by the Australian Rotary Districts. It invests money raised through donations from Rotary Clubs, individual Rotarians and funding partners to support community health research not currently government funded.

Current focus is on Mental Health, particularly, the mental health of Young Australians, but substantial additional funds are allocated each year in support of Rural Health Scholarships, Rural & Indigenous Nursing Scholarships and Indigenous Health Scholarships.

Target D9810 Club Contributions 2019-20 : $120,000 across all clubs (to research fund)

Opportunities for Rotarian participation

1. Become a Research Companion – help shape the future of vital Australian health research. (All Research Companions have scholarships named after them).
2. Donation Gift Cards - a unique gift for someone special - a donation made on their behalf to Australian Rotary Health.
3. Participate in the Hat Day event www.hatday.com.au https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lmHIynofteA

Key ARH events 2019 – 2020

1. Lift the Lid – Saturday 10th October 2019. ARH mental health research awareness day. (TV Advertisement http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=lmHIynoftA
2. Mental Health Week 2019
   Support for the annual "Ride for Research" Bicycle Ride.
3. Direct cash donations to ARH by Clubs and individuals.

Club speakers

1. Glenn Tippett, Lance Deveson, Val Henry (ARH Promotional DVD)
   URL / YouTube http://www.australianrotaryhealth.org.au/Information-About/Press-Releases-Media/YouTube.aspx
2. Research Scholars organised through District 9810 Representative, Glenn Tippett, or through Cheryl Deguara, Program Coordinator, Australian Rotary Health, Sydney on 0419 465 962 or cheryldeguara@australianrotaryhealth.org.au

Further information

Glenn Tippett gtippett12@gmail.com

http://www.australianrotaryhealth.org.au

Community Service Projects

Bowelscan

Description

Rotary Clubs in D9810 promote and coordinate the Bowelscan program to enhance public awareness of the need for new bowel cancer screening. Bowel Cancer is the most common form of internal cancer in people aged 40 years and over. There are about 12,000 new cases and 5,000 deaths from bowel cancer each year in Australia. Early detection gives you a 90% chance of being cured. *Waiting for symptoms to appear is waiting too long.*

Bowelscan testing kits, distributed to over 100 pharmacy partners by in effect 35 Club Co-ordinators, are used for early detection of microscopic blood (an indicator of colorectal cancer, and possible other sources of bleeding). The program only runs from mid-April to mid-June.

New, simpler, hi-tech immunochemical testing kits are on sale from 1st May to mid-June. They don't require preliminaries, and only two samples are needed on consecutive days, and mailed ASAP in a post-paid, pre-addressed envelope to the Sydney laboratory.

Outcomes

1. Lives are being saved, with over 19 persons having cancer and over 99 persons having polyps (likely future cancer) removed, during the 13 years 2006 to 2018.
2. Through our website and our 1300 779 694 line, men & women are receiving advice, and Rotary is receiving widespread publicity and thanks for our voluntary health commitment.

Target D9810 Involvement: 1,200+ kits sold and 88% returned for lab test in 2018. (Federal Government only receive 40% return of free kits distributed biennially for testing).

Opportunities for Rotarian participation

1. Distribute $15 testing kits to pharmacies and promote their weekly kit audit, and collect cash and any unused kits in mid-June. Identify unused kits expiring in test year for return.
2. Promote testing within the family of Rotary.
3. Create Public Awareness and save lives through CSA in Herald Sun and Local Newspaper and on Community Radio, and contact local businesses/institutions e.g. Aged Care, within the 40 years and over demographic, plus family and friends.

Key Bowelscan events 2019

1. Bowelscan Kit Sales during May-June 2019, our 17th year (National over 35 years).
2. Provide public awareness of Bowel Cancer/Bowelscan in HSun & local media in early May.
3. Refer also to 2017-18 D9810 Bowelscan Annual Report.
4. Free Federal Government kits are mailed to people within 50 to 74 years range, attaining every 2 years by 2020. Commercial kit sellers are reducing the need for Rotary kit sales.

Contact

Ian Coleman iancoleman7@gmail.com

Further information

www.manninghamrotaryclub.org.au (Victorian Pharmacy Listings and other information)
www.rotarybowelscan.com.au (Purchase Kits online & mailed to stated address for $18 each)

Rotarian Action Group for Family Safety

Contact for Information: Tony Monley acmonley+Rotary@gmail.com

http://www.ragfamsafe.org

What is a "Rotarian Action Group" (RAG)?

International groups of Rotarians, family members, program participants, and alumni who are experts in a particular field, or passionate about topics such as microcredit, peace, the environment, or water.

RAGs give members opportunities to engage in service activities and network with likeminded members around the world.

Group members collaborate with clubs and districts on service projects by offering their technical expertise or helping them find partners, funding, and other resources. RAGs can also help clubs prepare grant applications, conduct community assessments, raise funds, and establish monitoring and evaluation plans.

RAG for Family Safety, provisionally approved by the Rotary International Board in 2017-18, is the latest of 26 RAGs globally. It was initiated in Australia (RC Melbourne) and its primary focus is the prevention of family violence, as a contributor to Rotary's mission of promoting peace.

What do we mean by "Family Violence"?

Family violence, or domestic violence, is a pattern of behaviour where one person tries to dominate and control the other through:

- Physical abuse
- Verbal abuse
- Social abuse
- Sexual abuse
- Financial abuse
- Spiritual abuse
- Emotional abuse
- Stalking

Why should this be of concern to Rotary?

1. Family violence prevention is the first step in **Peace and Conflict Resolution** – one of our *Areas of Focus*.
2. Family safety is a fundamental **human right** –that's *Rotary's* business.
3. Prevention is a question of **leadership** - Rotarians are *community leaders*.

What can I do as a Rotarian?

- Understand the issue in the context of your community:
  - What 's the extent and impact of family violence?
  - What services and programs exist and how can they be best supported by Rotary?
  - Where are the gaps and what role can we play to advocate for change?
- Be the change you want to see:
  - Do we role-model respective behaviours?
  - Conduct a *gender audit* of your club.
  - Support awareness / education programs – sporting clubs; youth groups; schools; businesses.
- Commit to being a **Family Safe** club, by:
  - Entering into an alliance with a local FV agency.
  - Support a FV prevention program.
  - Have a speaker on the topic at least annually.
  - Talk to your project partners about the topic, asking them to commit.

Contact the RAG for further information or for support of your Family Violence project.

International Service Projects

Aquabox Australia

Description

Aquabox is a project of the RC Eltham. The project responds rapidly world-wide to provide safe drinking water and welfare aid items in the wake of man-made and natural disasters.

Target D9810 Club Contributions 2019/20: at least $550 per club

- An Aquabox costs $550 (Aquabox 30 $850) and each shipment of 100 boxes costs over $50,000.
- Hence RC Eltham suggests a basic funding target of at least $500 from every Rotary club, which would assist them in their strategic goal of pre-locating Aquaboxes in key areas overseas, thereby reducing critical delivery times to disasters and reducing transportation costs.
- Most of Aquaboxes donations come at the time of a disaster which restricts their ability to respond.
- If clubs can consider donating prior to 30th June each year, Aquabox will be in a prime position to respond to the "disaster season" around August - January each year.

Contact

Mobile: 0410 982 031
Donations to RC Eltham, PO Box 134, Eltham Vic, 3095. Email: aquabox.au@gmai.com

Further information

www.aquabox.com.au

International Service Projects

Art Building Children's Dreams (ABCD)

Description

ABCD started as a very simple concept where children in disadvantaged communities would paint or drew a picture of their dreams. The drawings were combined with photographs and stories to create a very special, unique work of art, used to promote the program.

100% of all donations go to assist in some way with the child's education or to improve the facilities and the school infrastructure. Several Rotary Clubs in our District have run successful programs based on this structure.

Various school projects have also been undertaken, including the building of pre-schools, classroom renovation, providing new toilets, introducing sustainable food programs through vegetable gardens etc.

Although Club's are still sponsoring student's education the concept has widened somewhat to facilitate projects that ensure the sustainability of disadvantaged schools.

ABCD are currently working with the Rotary Club of Newlands in South Africa to build preschools for the disadvantaged children of Langa. This is a multi-million dollar project.

ABCD remains a facilitator of projects that will assist with disadvantaged children's education through sponsorships and the provision of allied support to facilitate their learning.

2019/20 – the Year Ahead

If your Club is seeking an International Project, ABCD has several projects focused on Children's education that we can present to your Club.

Contact

Kj.monley@gmail.com 0417 116 979

Further information

www.abcdreams.org.au
https://www.facebook.com - @ABCDinOz

International Service Projects

Disaster Aid Australia (DAA)

Description

Provides family emergency survival kits and water purification systems in response to disasters. Each survival kit costs $800 and contains a Disaster Aid tent, blankets, water containers, cooking utensils, a stove, pots, pans, children rucksacks (with books and pencils), mosquito nets and other useful items.

Also deploys a Family Survival tent, NFI (non-food items), clean drinking water solutions and solar lighting. The tents can be interconnected to create a four classroom school for up to eighty school children; assist with a first aid tent or erect a community centre.

Disaster Aid Australia is a project of the Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills in District 9820, Victoria.

Further information

http://www.disasteraidaustralia.org.au

International Service Projects
Interplast Australia and New Zealand

What is Interplast?

Interplast was established in 1983, by Rotarians and the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons as a not-for-profit company. Rotarians are directly involved, with equal company shareholding, in the management, direction and funding of this organization.

Surgeons, Anaesthetists, Nurses and Allied Health Professionals donate their time free of charge to provide free reconstructive and plastic surgery to people in 17 countries who would not have had access to, or could afford, such treatment for congenital or acquired debilitating medical conditions. As well, they deliver free training and mentoring to local medical staff during operations as well as by separate programs. Rotarians help fund a significant proportion of the costs such as air fares, accommodation, other travel costs, medical supplies, medicines, excess baggage, insurance, security, etc. See the latest Interplast Annual Report, at www.interplast.org.au or contactus@interplast.org.au.

Aim
To raise $45,000 District funds to fund a Surgical Program, with an Observer at an additional cost, covered by the Observer's Club, of $5,000.

Clubs can consider:

1. Contributing towards the District 9810 objective to fund a Surgical Program.
2. A Club or a Cluster of Clubs could commit to fully funding a Surgical and/or Training activity, similar to the Wandin Club.
3. Direct funds to an expense, e.g. excess baggage or an item of medical equipment.

Donations
Donations can be sent by cheque, to Ana Galvez, Rotary Engagement Coordinator, Interplast Australia and New Zealand, C/ Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, 250 to 290 Spring Street East Melbourne Vic 3002; Or alternatively, electronic transfers online at www.interplast.org.au. The Interplast EFT Details are; Westpac BSB; 033 364; A/C 36 1633; Interplast Australia & New Zealand. In the form **PLEASE USE your CLUB NAME AS the 'REFERENCE'.**

Would you also contact the District Interplast Chair, PP Liz Guiver at eliza.g@optusnet.com.au as this assists in recording donations and is a contact to request a speaker. A receipt will be issued directly to the Club or in the case of an individual donating (tax deductible) to the donor.

International Service projects

Kiriwina Aid Project

Description

Kiriwina Aid is a project of the Rotary Club of Rowville-Lysterfield. It consists of four main activities:

1. Hospital Beds for the Kiriwina Hospital.
2. Improved water supply and wash basins in each of the four hospital wards. Currently only one cold water tap is available for 45 beds.
3. Composting toilets for the primary school.

   Open defecation is practiced widely on the island or pit toilets in some areas.
4. A wood working workshop to provide tools and materials to build 90 school desks for the Primary School. It was decided to set up a small business to manufacture the desks rather than just give them donated desks.

The budget for the project is approximately A$130,000.00.

We are still looking for other clubs that may want to contribute to the project to ensure project sustainability and meet the requests for even more student desks to be built.

A global grant has been approved for the project.

The project time line is as follows.

September 2014 the first visit to the island on a cruise ship where a need was identified. March 2015 was a discovery visit to determine what the most pressing issues were.

October 2015 saw a visit back to the island with a project proposal which was approved by the locals.

January 2016 The First Container with Beds, Clothing and School books was sent.

October 2016 A second container with toilets, plumbing supplies, building materials and battery operated tools was sent.

November 2016 Installation of wash basins in the hospital wards, training on how to build school desks and installation of a water pump at the school was carried out.

January 2017 Assembly of composting toilets, installation on 9000 litre water tank was installed at the school. Delivery of 64 school desks to 3 schools.

April 2017 Composting Toilets commissioned

August 2018. Supporting structures installed behind the Composting Toilet Boxes to ensure stability. Training on maintenance of toilets and exhaust fans.

February 2019 P&O cruise visit by four Rotarians to examine the project and confirm sustainability.

April 2019 The hospital water supply had failed and some plumbing had not been completed. After funding was generously provided by Dick Smith who had discovered the Hospital water supply failure during a vacation visit to Kiriwina, Alan Lunghusen returned to Kiriwina to install a new water pump and correct plumbing issues. The water supply to Kiriwina Hospital is now operational once more.

A new project called the Rotary Kiriwina Education Aid Project RAWCS number 6-2018-19 has been started and grants have been applied for. This project has three activities.

1. To manufacture 250 school desks using the tools provided by the Kiriwina Aid Program and local materials.
2. To establish a scholarship to allow some students advance their education through high school and teachers college.
3. Fund toilet paper and other products to ensure the sustainability of the original aid package.

For further information

Alan Lunghusen alan@lunghusen.com 0488 033 133 Rotary Club of Rowville Lysterfield

International Service Projects

Light up Timor Through Enterprise

Description

Light up Timor Through Enterprise aims to empower a local social enterprise in Timor Leste to trial Pay As You Go (PAYGO) solar energy installations in the remote community of Baguia with about 260 households. The plan is to install the solar units, train and support staff at the Timor Leste-based not for profit, Ho Musan Ida (supported by XPandFoundation), and then monitor and evaluate the project, with the aim of developing the capacity of the social enterprise to roll out the units to other remote communities in Timor Leste. This project is expected to have considerable benefits (e.g. project management) to the enterprise, as well as educational, social, health, educational, economic and environmental benefits for the people in the trial region. The project will take place from 2019 to 2021 and will be sustainable after this period. Rotary is partnering with Renew for this project.

The main elements of the project are:

- **Training and support** of staff of Ho Musan Ida by ATA and local consultants
- **Installation of small solar units** in 260 houses
- **Maintenance** of the solar units by the enterprise
- **Monitoring** by the social enterprise, supported by the pro bono monitoring and evaluation team
- **Evaluation** by the pro bono monitoring and evaluation team

Benefits

Capacity building

A social enterprise will be empowered to manage a PAYGO solar lighting program and to scale up this program in the future. Local university trained Timorese will be trained in evaluation data collection techniques.

A sustainable system

The households in the pilot villages will receive low-cost solar units, paying for these over a period of about two years. The repayments will approximately cover the cost spent by the villagers on lighting from kerosene lanterns or candles. The funds received from these repayments will pay for another round of solar unit installations in Timor Leste.

Partnerships

The project will build partnerships between Rotary clubs, Renew and Timorese organisations.

Other benefits

There will be literacy, health, economic and social benefits to the people in the pilot village and environmental benefits to Timor Leste. The results of the trial will be made available through websites.

Cost: Total including Matching grants – A$64,410

Grant Lodgement: 10 May 2019 (estimated subject to funding confirmation)

Project Duration

Commencement: As soon as funds become available. Project duration - 3 years. Project monitoring/evaluation for a minimum of 3 years from the date of commencement.

Rotarian participations

Opportunity to involve D9810 Rotarians with interest in: Timor Leste, social enterprise, training, project management, education and solar energy

Key project fundraising

Club donations and matching DDF, TRF, individual donors, plus corporate sponsors and philanthropic organisations

Speakers for clubs: Pat Armstrong RC Doncaster: 0419 381 790, pat.arm@bigpond.net.au

International Service projects Medical Imaging Machines

Description

The Medical Imaging Machines project relocates used diagnostic x-ray equipment from Australian hospitals to developing countries. These machines are used to diagnose and treat congenital heart defects, stenotic valves, the placement of stents and the implantation of pacemakers. Over the past 17 years nine machines have been installed in Nepal, Mongolia, Sri Lanka and Fiji. They have been used in more than 30,000 treatments over that period.

The machines are supported by ongoing maintenance and are replaced by newer models when spare parts are no longer available.

This project was begun in 2000 by Rtn Ron Marcus from the RC Castle Hill in Sydney. Ron has now retired and Peter Koens from RC Nunawading has taken over the project leadership. Peter has been a leading team member on all except the first machine installation and is the National Service Specialist for Interventional x-ray in ANZ for a major equipment manufacturer.

A typical project costs $15,000 for;

1. Collection and storage of the machine and spare parts.
2. Sea and land freight to the destination country.
3. Follow up service trips and spare part shipment for the 5-7 years of the machines life.

A team of self-funded volunteers install the machine under the guidance of Peter Koens. Local technicians are trained in basic maintenance and internet links are established to enable remote problem diagnosis. Spare parts are left on site to ensure rapid recovery from faults.

Our projects in progress are:

a. A mobile X-ray machine kindly donated by Wairau Hospital in Blenheim, New Zealand, will be relocated to Aitutaki Hospital in the Cook Islands.

b. Two X-ray cassette readers and a supply of X-ray cassettes donated by South East Radiology (formerly Bega Valley Radiology) will be installed in Rarotonga Hospital and Aitutaki Hospital. This will eliminate the need for expensive X-ray film and chemicals to develop them.

The project will be funded by the following

Private Donations

Donations from Rotary clubs so far including:

- RC Nunawading has committed $5,000 for the equipment and installation.
  A 1 to 1 district grants has been approved.

Donations from corporate and government sources

- The transport of the mobile X-ray machine from Auckland to its destination in the Cook islands, and the shipping of the two X-ray cassette readers from DIK in Melbourne to Aitutaki and Raratonga was organized by the Ministry of Health in the Cook Islands in cooperation with DSV Global transport and logistics.

You can get “hands on”

Opportunities are available for volunteers to go and help install the machine. People with trades skills are particularly welcome.

For further information see U Tube; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WrHnIOgZWhY

Peter Koens, Rotary Club of Nunawading, rawcs.mim@optusnet.com.au, phone 0490 543 327

See http://www.rotarynunawading.com.au/medical.htm for more details plus photos. Be amazed!

International Service Projects

Operation Cleft Australia

Description

Operation Cleft Australia Foundation (OCA) an entity of the Rotary Club of Box Hill Central provides free cleft lip and palate repair surgery for underprivileged children in Bangladesh. Over 12,000 children have had their lives changed forever since the project's inception in 2005.

In partnership with German Cleft (DCKH) the project provides free surgery, gifting up to 1500 children a year a 'Smile for Life', restoring their dignity, improving their health, providing each child with a brighter future and an opportunity to achieve their full potential. The partnership encourages self-sufficiency and long-term sustainability by contracting skilled Bangladeshi Plastic Surgeons and by providing best practice surgical practice and reporting systems.

Target D9810 Club Contributions 2019/20: $60,000 (200 operations @ $300 each)

Opportunities for Rotary Club and Rotarian participation

1. Donate $300 = full cost of one cleft surgery (surgeons, hospital, pre/post-operative medication).
2. Donate $25 a month for 12 months = full cost of one cleft surgery.
3. Donate $3,000 = full cost of a surgical camp for ten cleft surgeries.
4. To plan/implement an Operation Cleft District Grant as the named sponsor for up to 30 life changing surgeries in a remote region hospital in Bangladesh.
5. Fundraising – through a golf day, BBQ, celebration giving (in lieu of presents for a birthday, anniversary etc.), trivia night, walkathon, spellathon or free dress day in conjunction with a local school etc.
6. Spreading the word about this unique Rotary club project and encouraging others to support our work for underprivileged Bangladeshi children who were born with a cleft lip and/or palate.

Key Operation Cleft events 2019-20

Newc(The John Newcomb Story) presented by Rotary Club of Moorabbin, July 21 2019, https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=497124&

Club speakers

Bruce McEwen – Chair, OCA Management Committee info@operationcleft.org.au, 0413144700

RAWCS Registration number: 64-2007-2008

Project donations received since inception: AU$3,200,000

Project plans for 2019/2020: AU$130,000

Further information

Nirasha De Silva – Fundraising Officer, Operation Cleft info@operationcleft.org.au, 98779717
Bruce McEwen – Chair, Management Committee bruce.mcewen@ascentor.com.au; 0413 144700
Website: www.operationcleft.org.au

Operation Cleft Australia Foundation is a registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission (ABN 36 063 471 446). Operation Cleft Australia is a Public Ancillary Fund with DGR status. Donations of over $2.00 are tax-deductible in Australia. Donations to: BSB 633 000, Account # 165 147 935.

International Service Projects

Operation Toilets Australia

Description

Operation Toilets Australia Inc. (OTA), an entity of the Rotary Club of Box Hill Central, builds toilets and delivers hygiene education programs in schools and communities in developing countries with the special aim of improving the educational opportunities for adolescent girls.

- OTA partners with Rotary clubs and in-country not-for-profit organisations to build toilets of solid brick construction with sustainable sanitation connections.
- A key element of any OTA project is a hygiene education program, WASH, developed by UNICEF. Students are taught to wash their hands after visiting the toilet or before eating. Local communities are also encouraged to become involved.
- The final part of any OTA project is for a school to establish an ongoing maintenance program to ensure that their toilets are kept in good working order.

There are three ways that you can become involved in this major Rotary club initiative:

1. Donate to a specific Operation Toilets project. This will allow your club to take part in an international project without being responsible for it. Your club will be acknowledged in any OTA publicity about the project.
2. Partner with Operation Toilets Australia on a project where the cash contributions are shared between your club and Operation Toilets Australia (excluding any district or global grants). This will allow your club to take part in an international project and have the chance to observe at first hand the management of the project. Your club will be acknowledged in any OTA publicity and club members would be welcome to undertake a self-funded site visit once the project has been completed.
3. *Undertake a specific Operation Toilets project where your club provides 100% of cash contributions (excluding any district or global Grants) working with Operation Toilets Australia as an adviser. If the project is a global grant, your club would be nominated as the *international sponsor* in the grant application and be responsible for overseeing the project with the in-country *host sponsor*. Your club will be acknowledged in any OTA publicity and club members would be welcome to undertake a self-funded site visit once the project has been completed.
   *Conditions apply

RAWCS Registration No: 21-2014-15

Projects planned or completed since inception: $1,009,000

Target D9810 clubs' contributions for 2019-20: $35,000

BSB: 633000 **Account:** 157145855

For further information: Mark Balla – OTA Project Manager
mark@balla.com.au 0414 244 448

Brian Martin – OTA Chair
brian_martin@netspace.net.au 0407 894 216

www.operationtoilets.org.au

Operation Toilets Australia Incorporated is a registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ABN 22 650 438 602). Donations made through RAWCS are issued with a tax-deductible receipt.

International Service Projects

Rotarians against Malaria (RAM)

Description

Malaria is one of the biggest killers in the world today, attacking some of our most vulnerable communities and contributing significantly to the untold suffering and sustained poverty of more than forty per cent (40%) of the world's population.

D9810 RAM participates in many activities such as 'cleaning up' village areas in the Pacific region to eliminate mosquito breeding sites including the "Healthy Village Program" in the Solomon Islands and the "Chasing Malaria" Program in PNG.

It has also initiated a project in Timor Leste to promote early diagnosis of malaria to train and equip personnel to carry out simple blood microscopy tests.

Target D9810 Club Contributions 2019/20: $15,000

Opportunities for Rotarian participation

1. "Healthy Village Program" in the Solomon Islands.
2. "The Chasing Malaria" Program in PNG.
3. Enabling the continuation of supply and distribution of life saving treated nets in Timor Leste especially focussing on pregnant women and covering shortfalls after Global Funding has been allocated.
4. Providing funds to help support further development of a promising vaccine being developed at the Institute of Glycomics at Griffith University.

Key RAM events 2019–2020

Malaria Awareness Day April 30th
(Malaria kills 430,000 a year, 75% are children under 5)

Club speakers

Peter McPhee: pmcphee@bigpond.com

Shelley Gurney shelleyg.gurney@gmail.com

Jacquie Gleeson jackie.gleeson7@gmail.com

Further information

http://www.rawcs.com.au/RAWCSPrograms_malaria.htm

International Service Projects

Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC)

Description

Mission: To provide specialist treatment for children from developing countries in the form of life saving and dignity restoring surgery not accessible to them in their home country.

Ownership: Every Rotary District in Australia and New Zealand has agreed to ROMAC being recognised by Rotary International as a multi-District program. ROMAC is run by volunteer Rotarians and relies on Club support and annual sponsorship to sustain its work.

Target D9810 Club Contributions 2019/20 : $50,000 - this will fund the average cost of two ROMAC operations and will enable D9810 clubs to:

'SAVE THE LIVES OF TWO ROMAC PATIENTS'

Opportunities for Rotarian participation

1. Join our supporters list to be kept informed about incoming patients.
2. Volunteers to host patients and guardians.
3. Drivers, hospital visits, outings and support network for patients and home hosts.
4. Organise fundraisers for ROMAC.
5. Join the district ROMAC committee to assist with Club presentations.
6. Become a Sponsor Club for a patient.

Key ROMAC events 2019/20

1. ROMAC Southern Region Golf Day

Club speakers

Gavan McIntyre – Chair D9810 ROMAC Committee

Graeme Chester – Member D9810 ROMAC Committee

Bill Haywood – Member D9810 ROMAC Committee

Margaret Mason – Member D9810 ROMAC Committee

Carol Quayle – Member D9810 ROMAC Committee

Contact for speaker bookings

Gavan McIntyre: gdmcintyre@bigpond.com

Further information

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

http://www.facebook.com/RomacAustralia

International Service Projects

Operation End Slavery – A committee of Rotary Club of Box Hill Central

Child Rights - Creating a Brighter Future for Children, Training of Trainer, Myanmar

Through this project we aim to empower seven villages in Thandaung Gyi Township, Karen State, Myanmar, to ensure that these communities provide a safe and nurturing environment in which the rights of children are promoted and protected in order to improve overall child well-being.

For more than 60 years, Karen children and their parents have suffered as a result of the armed conflict between the Burmese Government and Karen armed troops. This has been the longest on-going civil war in the world. Now, due to the national reconciliation effort, Myanmar is taking positive steps forward. Democratic values such as respect for the rights of children, gender equality and social justice need addressing. Cases of child abuse, including neglect, exploitation and sexual abuse are frequent and increasing.

This project supports the training in Child Rights and Child Protection of seventy change agents and teachers over 5 days, and the sharing sessions of those trained change agents, in seven targeted villages, ten times yearly.

Total Cost: $5,218

Project Total (Club/s to pay upfront)	**$5,218**
Potential International District Grant* (paid to club following final report):	**$2,609**
Effective cash contribution made by club:	**$2,609**

*Drafted International District Grant application available to sponsoring club.

Start Date:Jul 2019
Completion Date: June 2020
The project is seeking funding to be repeated annually over four years in total, with expected finishing in June 2020.

Beneficiaries:

Nearly 700 children and their families in in 7 targeted villages in Karen State, Myanmar.

Contact: Lindsay Mackay Chair Operation End Slavery Committee RCBHC:

lindsay.mackay@deakin.edu.au 0409968345

Further information

Partnering organisation is International Needs Australia. https://www.ina.org.au/the-ina-story/news/strengthening-and-protecting-child-rights-in-myanm

Project feedback video of child rights education at UNCRC Day 2016 https://youtu.be/AjEb8qN8-uk

Contributions to this project attract Australia Aid matching through DFAT 5:1

Rotary Club of Box Hill Central welcomes contributions to this project:

BSB: 633 000 Account: 1607038993

International Service Projects

Operation End Slavery - A committee of Rotary Club of Box Hill Central
Project Harmony, Nepal

Description

The Harmony Project is implemented by TEAR Australia's partner Share & Care Nepal in the region of Nuwakot, Nepal. The district is a hill district located north of Kathmandu district. Although the district is located at the border of the Kathmandu valley, many parts are still inaccessible by road and other development initiatives. There is a high reliance on agriculture in the region and many younger people migrate in search of regular work.

The goal of the Harmony Project is to bring about positive change in the lives of communities in this area through:

- Creating access to agriculture and business training and community decision making through a self-help group model
- Educating the community on issues relating to people trafficking, exploitation and slavery

Total Cost: $7,690

Project Total (Club/s to pay upfront)	**$7,690**
Potential International District Grant	**$3,845**
Effective cash contribution made by club:	**$3,845**

Start Date: July 2019
Completion Date: June 2020

Beneficiaries:
1750 people directly with a reach of closer to 8400 residents in the project area.

Contact: Lindsay Mackay, Chair, Operation End Slavery Committee, RCBHC
lindsay.mackay@deakin.edu.au 0409 968 345

Further information

Partnering organisation is TEARAustralia. https://www.tear.org.au/

Contributions to this project attract Australia Aid matching through DFAT 4:1

Rotary Club of Box Hill Central welcomes contributions to this project:

BSB: 633 000 Account: 1607 389 93

International Service Projects

Shelterbox Australia

Description

Shelterbox provides immediate global humanitarian relief when disasters occur.

A ShelterBox contains a family tent, blankets, cooker and ancillary equipment sufficient to house up to ten people. The cost of a ShelterBox is $1,000.

The Rotary Youth Exchange Challenge - Spread the word: give a presentation to your host Rotary Club, a school, organisation or a group such as Scouts.

Fund a box: Fundraise for ShelterBox, target donation of $1000 for one ShelterBox.

Fundraising ideas:

http://www.shelterbox.org/uploads/Sources/Downloads/SB_fundraising_booklet_screen.pdf

http://www.youtube.com/user/ShelterBoxUK

Further information

www.shelterboxaustralia.org.au

International Service projects

Tavenui Eye Project (TEP)

Description

The Tavenui Eye Project is a project of the Rotary Club of Boronia.
The Project restores sight to cataract and pterygium effected Fiji people. TEP focuses on those, especially children, in remote and rural areas. Without our help those people would not have any quality of life. The Fiji blind are numerous, poor and need our help.

Rotary Fiji - Taveuni Eye Project is the **only** group offering eye surgery to **children** in Fiji. The restoration of eyesight to a child has many benefits. Once the operations are complete, they can participate in the basic living and care tasks for themselves. This relieves their parents of constant vigilance and attention. They can attend normal schools and see the blackboard and their work properly.

The end result is a better future for the child, their family and the village as a whole.

This is an Annual Project - a new project is created each year.

The 14th such project is running in 2019.

The annual cost is approximately $US 90K

Project Funding

Club Funds, Donations, Charities, DDF and Global Grant matching.

RC Boronia has committed to raising $5000.00 USD each year from its own funds and is seeking donations from other clubs in D9810.

Many clubs have given the project a guest speaking opportunity and we are expecting funds to come in for 2020. D9810 has committed $US 5000.00 DDF match.

For further information

Peter Malden petertmalden@bigpond.com 0417 998 082
Rotary Club of Boronia

International Service Projects

Wheelchairs for Kids

Description

Wheelchairs For Kids Inc. is a registered charity and a Rotary project sponsored by RC Scarborough WA. The wheelchairs are assembled by a team of about two hundred volunteers – mainly retired people.

The wheelchairs comply with WHO recommendations including allowing complete adjustability of postural support to suit the different sizes and growing needs of children through to their teenage years and also the large number of recipients with cerebral palsy. Chairs are sent to developing countries where health care and other social services are poor to non-existent.

About 3,500 wheelchairs are shipped each year and over 44,000 wheelchairs have been shipped to about sixty countries in the twenty-year period since commencement.

Target D9810 Club Contributions 2019/20: $50,000 (250 wheelchairs)

Opportunities for Rotarian participation

1. Donate multiples of $200 = tax deductible cost of one wheelchair.
2. School fundraising – mainly wheelchair wheelathons, involve EarlyAct and Interact clubs, also fetes, walkathon, spellathon, free dress day.
3. Rotary sponsored "Wheelchair Wheelathons".

Key Wheelchair for Kids events in 2019-20: TBA

Key club speakers

Russell Hayes ruscle@bigpond.com 0414 600 721

Further information

Videos http://www.wheelchairsforkids.org/videos/Vanuatu.html

http://www.wheelchairsforkids.org

Business Engagement

How well do you understand your local businesses? Why not consider inviting a local business owner to your club meetings as your guest, once a month, and give them a brief speaking spot so you can keep abreast of the current business trends and the challenges they face? They might even come back.

Contact: Greg King

Business Excellence Awards

Rotary Clubs can engage their local business community in many ways. From sponsorship of Club events, to conducting initiatives that help build stronger communities in partnership with local business and the Bendigo Bank. Even engaging local businesses to 'Share Rotary' is highly encouraged.
To recognise the role of locally-based small business, Clubs may consider running a “Business Excellence Awards” program in their local municipality as a cluster project initiative in conjunction with their local Councils.
An example of this is the comprehensive publicity the Manningham Business Excellence Awards, now in its seventh year, has generated highlighting the achievements of many local businesses that would otherwise go unrecognised. This activity continues to raise the profile of Rotary across the local business community.

Contact: Greg King

Citizenship Award for Secondary Students

This award recognises students who are potential leaders and who have contributed to the community and their school (other than dux of their school). The Citizenship Award is selected by the school and awarded at VCE level. Gillians Jewellery has been a long-time supplier of watches (at a substantial discount), However, the supply of “Citizen” brand watches has become unreliable. Ms San Cheng has sourced an alternative and they are available in either gold or rose gold. Please order your prizes with plenty of time.
Gillians Jewellery supply the watches (Clubs to pay) - contact San Cheng 9877 6616.

Contact: Greg King

R2R Marketplace (Rotarians Doing Business With Rotarians)

When Rotarians and friends do business with other Rotarians there is a basic understanding that “The Four Way Test” will be at the forefront of all transactions. With this in mind we are planning to collate a list of Rotarians who have a product or a service available. This initiative is in its developmental stage so keep plugged in to “District Highlights” in the coming months for further information and your opportunity to participate and benefit. Regional co-ordinators are still to be appointed.

Contact: Greg King

Shine-on Awards

This is an Australia-wide Rotary recognition of outstanding service by persons with disabilities. The nominated recipients have disregarded their disabilities to reach their goals to serve others. All nominees receive recognition with a Certificate of Commendation. The program is run on a state-wide basis. District 9810 is proud to be the host of the 2020 Awards to be held on Sunday, March 15, at a venue to be advised.

Contact: Matthew Etty-Leal

Tertiary Awards and Scholarships

Rotary Club supported tertiary scholarships awarded through a number of Universities and TAFE Institutes.

Contact: Greg King

Victoria Police Mentoring Program and Victorian Ambulance Mentoring Program

Managed by District 9800, this project assigns an experienced Rotarian mentor with a Senior Member of the Police Force or a counter-part in Ambulance Victoria as mentee to expand their understanding of the community. Clubs are approached for involvement in this project on a needs basis. However, volunteers are welcome to contact Greg King direct for further information.

Contact: Greg King

The ConocoPhillips Science Experience

Program participants

Years 9 & 10 students with an interest in Science.
http://www.scienceexperience.com.au for dates and locations.

Program information

- This 2 – 4 day national program, conducted by the Australian Science Industry Association with tertiary institutions in the school holidays at 38 participating universities.
- It encourages students in Years 9 & 10 to consider science and technology as interesting and worthwhile career choices.
- The format is “hands on” science practical activities in laboratories as well as a visit to a local research or industry site.
- There is no selection and students only need to be endorsed by a local Rotary club to enrol.

Benefits for the participants

- Broadening scientific knowledge and understanding.
- Personal development.
- Meeting other students with shared interests.
- Understanding more about possible careers in science.
- Developing presentation skills.

Applications

See Science Experience web site for relevant closing dates.

Cost: $120-$160 paid by sponsoring Rotary clubs or by participants.

Contact

Paul Taranto paul.taranto@qenos.com 0402 086 249

For further information

www.scienceexperience.com.au

Youth Service Programs

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Description

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a community-based program providing 0-5-year-old children with free home delivered books and literacy resources each month. The program is administered under licence by United Way Australia, a not-for-profit organisation which is part of a global network in 41 countries.

Started by musician and author Dolly Parton in the USA, the program has delivered more than 70 million books worldwide; including 1,000,000 books across Australia.

Background

- 22% of Australian children start school without the skills they need to learn to read.
- The research is clear: more books at home = better educational outcomes for children.
- Kids in this program say that they love the books – 77% now ask to be read to daily!
- Imagination Library parents are reading to their kids 16% more often!
- The program helps kids to perform higher on language and literacy measures

How do clubs get involved in the Dolly Parton Imagination Library?

1. Talk with the clubs already taking part of the program.
2. Present the project to the club board for approval.
3. Contact United Way for an information kit.
4. Sign the Memorandum of Agreement (which details any responsibilities of the club coordinating the DPIL program such as use of logo/branding).
5. United Way will set up a database (and provide training) for the club coordinator to manage and will provide registration resources and poster templates.
6. The club then contacts local Childcare Centres, Maternal Health Nursing Services etc. and provides brochures and registration forms for parents to opt-in to the program by signing the consent form.
7. Approved children's names are entered into the database by the club coordinator.
8. Books are then delivered monthly to each child by United Way including reading support material for parents and carers. Appropriate level books for each age group are selected by Penguin Australia for the program. Note: It is suggested that clubs start the program as a one year pilot with a minimum of 30 children (and advising parents so they are aware of this from the beginning).
9. Children will graduate on the month of their 5th birthday.

Cost

$7.50 per child per month (includes book, packing, parent resources and postage) for a minimum of 30 children per year initially and then move to a longer term commitment as agreed by the Rotary club board.

Clubs already taking part in this program in District 9810

Rotary clubs of Noble Park, Healesville and Bayswater.

Contacts

Barrie Vickers – RC Bayswater vickersf@netspace.net.au

For further information

www.9810rotary.org.au and follow the links via Operations and Youth Service to DPIL.

Youth Service Programs

Earlyact

Participants:

Primary aged students in Years 5 – 6 leading and overseeing a whole school program.

Program Information:

Earlyact is a school wide service club for primary school students, overseen by Years 5/6 and is sponsored by one of the local Rotary Clubs in the area in which the school is located.

- The purpose of Earlyact activities is to engage students in character-building activities, to prepare them for leadership roles and to identify and carry out meaningful projects which benefit their school, local and international communities.
- The Earlyact Club needs a teacher to support and guide the students and work with the Rotary Club as required.
- Clubs have a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer who form a Board to lead and assist the three major committees (School, Local, International) in completing agreed service and fund-raising tasks in their school, their local community and in the wider world.
- Meetings are held at least twice a month, there are no membership fees and a Rotary member will usually attend each meeting to provide additional guidance and support.
- A standard Earlyact Constitution and Meeting procedure is available and an annual Leadership Training Day for incoming Earlyact committees is conducted in December.

Benefits for participants:

- The students learn to develop committed citizenship, leadership qualities and the importance of respect, dignity and caring for all people by identifying and taking responsibility for real-life problems within their school, local and global communities.
- Earlyact clubs have the chance to partner with a worldwide network of similar clubs.
- Students work with school teaching staff, other involved adults and the sponsoring Rotary club members who act as facilitators, mentors and role models.
- In a practical manner students: learn how to construct meeting agendas; how to conduct meetings using correct procedure; how to lead small project teams; how to enhance their public speaking ability; experience working together with others in a team to achieve a common purpose; and to come to realize the importance to all communities of serving the needs of other people.

For more information:

- A local Rotary Club or http://operations.9810rotary.org.au/new-generations/ or the District Chair for Earlyact, Dr Daryl Moran. 0404069751 djjamoran@gmail.com

Cost:

- There are no membership fees and a sponsoring Rotary Club will undertake to supply some set-up items, such as a banner, badges and a meeting gavel.

Current Clubs:

Earlyact Clubs	Sponsoring Rotary Club	Contact
Coldstream PS	Wandin	Warwick Bisley
Firbank Grammar (Sandringham campus)	Sandringham	Bob Richards
Donburn PS	Manningham	Kathy Monley
Kingswood PS	Dingley Village	Heather Winch
Lysterfield PS	Rowville-Lysterfield	Daryl Moran

Youth Service Programs

Interact

Description

Interact is a service club for young people aged 12 to 18.

A school Interact club is sponsored by a local Rotary club which will work with the school to form, develop and support the club. The club needs a teacher to support the students and liaise with the Rotary club as required. This is also a very rewarding experience for teachers. Clubs have a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer who form a Board. There are committees to focus on completing agreed tasks within the club. An Interact club in schools enables students to work together with a focus on community service while learning how to support others and make things happen. Meetings are held twice a month. An Interact Manual is available which provides a good 'how to' guide for schools and clubs.

Benefits for participants

- Involvement in local community projects.
- Development of skills – leadership, team work, organising & running meetings.
- Opportunity to work with other people with shared interests.
- Support and mentoring from sponsoring Rotary club.
- Participation in a worldwide network of Interact clubs.
- Opportunity to make new friends.
- Ability to make a difference – locally and globally.

Supporting Rotary clubs

Interact Club of Ashwood High School - RC Waverley. Contact:Neil Williams

Interact Club of Doncaster Secondary College – RC Doncaster. Contact: Salwan Shahine.

Interact Club of John Monash Science School - based at John Monash Senior Science School, sponsored by the RC of Clayton. Contact: John Barnes

Interact Club of Koonung - based at Koonung Secondary College, sponsored by the RC of Mont Albert & Surrey Hills. Contacts: Joe Somers & Nigel Cooper.

Interact Club of Rowville-Lysterfield – Lysterfield based at Rowville Secondary College, sponsored by the RC of Rowville – Lysterfield. Contact person: Jeff Somers

Interact Club of Keysborough – sponsored by the RC of Noble Park. Contact: Bruce Hill.

Interact Club of Fairhills – sponsored by the RC of Fern Tree Gully. Contact: Paul Wilson.

Interact Club of Wheelers Hill - sponsored by the RC of Glen Waverley Contact: Rob McPherson.

Interact Club of East Doncaster - sponsored by the RC of Manningham Contact: Joady Barnes

Interact Club of McKinnon –sponsored by RC of Bentleigh Moorabin Central Contact: Peter Guttmann

Interact Club of Scoresby- sponsored by RC of Knox Contact: Darren Hill

Interact Club of Lilydale Heights College – sponsored by RC of Lilydale Contact William (Bill) Parelt

Interact Club of PLC – sponsored by RC of Box Hill Contact: Clive Nicholson

Cost: Membership fees, if any, are decided by the Interact Club.
Establishment costs would normally be covered by the sponsoring Rotary Club.

District Contact:

Salwan Shahine selwyn9810@gmail.com 0438 652 565

For further information

http://operations.9810rotary.org.au and follow the links via Youth Service to Interact.

Youth Service Programs

Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)

Program participants

Year 11 students. Held at Parliament House, Melbourne.

Program information

- This 2 day program simulates sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations (UN). It encourages young people to learn about other countries and appreciate the workings of the UN.
- A team of two students is allocated a member country of the UN. They are required to investigate that country and represent its views as they debate a range of resolutions provided in advance.
- Students are asked to dress to represent their country's national costume.
- MUNA is held in the Legislative Assembly Chamber of Parliament House.
- The winning team goes to the National MUNA in Canberra.
- Prizes are awarded for Best Team, Runner Up, Best Costume, Most Popular Team.

Benefits for the participants

- Opportunity to learn about other countries and their perspectives on international issues.
- Working as a team.
- Development of debating & public speaking skills.
- Development of "listen & responding" (thinking on your feet) skills.
- Commitment & planning for deadline – balancing responsibilities.

Applications

Open: January 2020

Close: March 2020

Event date: TBA

Cost: $850 per team (TBC) – paid by sponsoring Rotary clubs

Contact

To be advised

For further information

http://operations.9810rotary.org.au and follow the links via Youth Service to MUNA

Youth Service Programs

National Youth Science Forum (NYSF)

Program participants

Years 11 students (2020) with an interest in Science – January 2021

Program information

- This two-week program held in a variety of universities provides students with an opportunity to find out more about scientific matters and explore careers in science.
- The forum aims to foster a love of science and help students understand the possibilities of a career in one of the many areas of science and technology available.
- The program offers a range of classes and site visits which excite the imagination.
- Participants are selected following an interview process.

Benefits for the participants

- Expanding their own scientific knowledge and understanding.
- Learning about the broad range of career options in science.
- Meeting other students who share interests form across Australia.
- Mentoring opportunities.
- Enhancing presentation skills.
- Personal development.

Applications

Open: March 2019

Close: May 2019

Interviews: July 2019

Cost: $3,150

While Rotary clubs are not required to assist their nominated students financially, it is common for them to make a contribution toward the total amount.

Contact

Paul Taranto paul.taranto@qenos.com 0402 086 249

For further information

http://www.nysf.edu.au or http://operations.9810rotary.org.au and follow the links via Youth Service to Summer Science Programs.

Rotary Youth Service Programs

Primary School Speech Contest

Program participants

Grade 5 and Grade 6 students in Primary School.

Program information

- Students are required to present a 3 minute speech, judged by Toastmasters.
  Schools hold preliminary events to select their two representatives for the finals at their Rotary club level. The winner at club level participates in a District Final. Students, their families, friends, school representatives and Rotarians attend these finals.
- Currently more than 60 Primary Schools participate in the program each year.
- District Final currently held in November.

Supporting clubs – each running a contest

- Mont Albert & Surrey Hills
- Forest Hill
- Croydon & Montrose (3 groups)
- Monbulk
- Emerald
- Templestowe (2 groups)
- Lilydale
- Healesville
- Rowville Lysterfield

Benefits for the participants

- Provides an opportunity for primary students to gain valuable public speaking skills at an early age.
- Raises awareness of Rotary International amongst primary school age students and their parents, who represent the ideal target groups for participating in Rotary youth programs and Rotary membership respectively.

Applications

Clubs engage with Primary Schools to initiate the program. School teachers oversee the selection of participants and finalists are selected at a Rotary Club level. The contest culminates in a District Final night organized and attended by Rotarians and judged by Toastmasters.

Cost

To Rotary – could include hire of venue for finals, refreshments, printing of programs and judges' gifts.

A fee of $35 for the grand final of all schools in October/November

Contact Marlene Sinclair marlenes.smallfish@bigpond.com to obtain new list of topics and book a night for Toastmasters to attend : 0449 261 388
A Manual for Running a Primary School Speech Competition is available on request.

Youth Service Programs

Rotaract

Description

A community service organisation for young people aged 18-30 which provides them with an opportunity to enhance knowledge skills in personal development, community activities and international understanding.

Rotaract members aim to improve the world around them through a broad range of service activities with the approach “Help-Learn-Enjoy”.

While most students will not be eligible while still at school, it is worth alerting community minded students to these opportunities for after they leave school.

Benefits for participants

- Develop personal and leadership skills.
- Recognise and promote ethical standards.
- Develop understanding of needs and challenges in local communities.
- Provides members with the knowledge and skills to make a difference in the world.
- Meeting others with shared interests and having fun while contributing locally and internationally.

Supporting Rotary Clubs

- **Rotaract Club of Whitehorse** (chartered on 31st May 2000). Sponsor Rotary Clubs: Box Hill, Box Hill Central, Forest Hill, Mitcham, Nunawading and MASH (honorary).
- **Rotaract Club of Monash** (chartered 2010) Sponsor Rotary Clubs: Glen Waverley, Mount Waverley, Waverley, Clayton, Huntingdale, Oakleigh, Wheelers Hill & Monash.
- **Rotaract Club of Yarra Ranges** (charted 2011) Sponsor Rotary Clubs Montrose & District, Lilydale, Croydon and Maroondah.
- **Rotaract Club of Manningham** (provisional club) Sponsor Rotary Clubs: Manningham, Doncaster, Templestowe and Warrandyte Donvale

Applications

For prospective members - https://www.9810rotary.org.au/ and follow the links via Get Involved then Rotaract.

Cost

Membership fees are decided by the Rotaract club.
Establishment costs would normally be covered by the sponsoring Rotary clubs.

Contact

District Rotaract Chair - Michael Ellinger michaele@netspace.net.au

Yarra Ranges Rotaract Club	www.facebook.com/RotaractYarraRanges/
Monash Rotaract Club	www.facebook.com/MonashRotaract/
Whitehorse Rotaract Club	www.facebook.com/WhitehorseRotaract/
Manningham Rotaract Club	https://www.facebook.com/manninghamrotaract/

For further information

https://www.9810rotary.org.au/ and follow links via Get Involved then Rotaract

Youth Service Programs

Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA)

Program participants

18-30 year olds. Held 8 July 2019 to 13 July 2019, Lake Dewar Camp, Myrniong.

Program information

- This six-day program is an intensive leadership training course for community minded young people. Participants are chosen for their leadership skills and their potential to have an impact on their community.
- The participants discuss issues of professional responsibility, human relations, ethics, leadership and communication skills.
- The program incorporates a range of seminars and workshops as well as team and skill building activities.
- Participants also learn about Rotary's purpose and service to the community as well as the elements of community and global citizenship

Note: Schools are encouraged to discuss with a local Rotary club the possibility of having RYLA participation as an award for a student who demonstrates a commitment to community service and leadership in Year 12.

Benefits for the participants

Development of a range of skills including:

- Leadership
- Communication
- Organisation and time management
- Team building and team work
- Problem solving and conflict management
- Impromptu and prepared public speaking
- Ability to step out of their comfort zones challenge themselves and realise their potential.

Applications

Open: April 2019

Close: June 2019

Cost: $850 – paid by sponsoring Rotary clubs, And $50.00 by the applicant at time of application.

Contact

Les Marton marton2870@gmail.com 0419 533 980

Alan Wong alanbyker@hotmail.com 0438 821 022

For further information

http://operations.9810rotary.org.au and follow the links via Youth Service to RYLA

Youth Service Programs

The Rotary 4-Way Test Public Speaking Competition

Program participants

Year 10 students with heats held in September and October 2019, Semi-finals in October 2019 and the Grand Final in November 2019.

Program information

- The program promotes public speaking for students at the Year 10 level.
- The theme of the speeches is Rotary's Four Way Test which is to be applied to any topic chosen by the student.
- Speeches last for 4 minutes and at least two selected elements of the Four Way Test are woven through the speech.
- There is a maximum of three participants per school.
- Prizes are awarded.

Benefits for the participants

- Developing planning, research, organising and presentation skills.
- Understanding the importance of effective communication.
- Improving ability to speak effectively in front of an audience.
- Improving self-esteem and confidence.

Applications

Open: 1st July 2019
Close: 23rd August 2019

Cost: $100 per student – paid by sponsoring Rotary clubs.

Contact

Marlene Sinclair marlenes.smallfish@bigpond.com 0449 261 388

Heat dates will be allocated starting September

For further information

http://operations.9810rotary.org.au and follow the links via Youth Service to Year 10 Four Way Test Speech Contest.

Youth Service Programs

Rotary Youth Program of ENrichment (RYPEN)

Program participants

RYPEN caters for 14-17 year old students and it will be conducted over 13–15 September 2019 at Oasis Camp, Mount Evelyn.

Program information

- This 2½ day residential program is designed for young people who want to develop their potential.
- It uses a mix of presentations, discussions and demonstrations with practical applications. It includes personal challenges, outdoor activities, music, theatre and sport.
- Participants work together in groups within a supportive environment.
- The program aims to encourage young people to create a successful and fulfilling life, deal positively with a variety of issues which affect their lives, and to make a difference at home, at school and within the broader community.

Benefits for the participants

- Developing skills to enhance self-awareness and self-esteem.
- Develop personal awareness of values and personal goals.
- Working in teams and building team dynamics.
- Challenging fears.
- Focus on the importance of community and how and why we contribute.

Applications

Open: 1 July 2019

Close: 31 August 2019

Cost: $350 – for each participant and is paid by sponsoring Rotary clubs. This sponsorship cost also applies to any participant from 2018 who has applied for and has been successful in selection as a Colour Group Leader for 2019.

Contact

TBA

For further information

The latest information is on the District web site:

https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50071

Then select the **Operations** option on the front page and follow through **Youth Services** to Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment.

Or click on this link:
https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50071/page/rotary-youth-program-of-enrichment-(rypen

Youth Service Programs

Youth Exchange

Program participants

Students must be in years 9, 10 or 11 in the year that they make application. The preferred age of applicants is between 15years 6months and 17years 6months at time of departure. This is in January of the year following application. The duration of the exchange is twelve months.

Program information

- This year-long program provides for selected students to live and study in an overseas country while living with approved families.
- There is a two-stage interview process and students are allocated to a country according to availability.
- The selection process is followed by an orientation program to prepare students and families for the experience.
- Students from the exchange countries currently in Australia and former exchange students are part of the preparation process.

Benefits for the participants

- Understanding and adapting to living in a new culture.
- Learning another language.
- Becoming more independent and confident.
- Developing personal organisational skills.

Applications

Open: February 2019

Close: May 2019

Cost

The actual total cost of the outbound exchange to the student (parents) will vary depending on the country of exchange and the student's own personal budget.

Estimated costs of hosting the inbound exchange student vary – please contact Youth Exchange Program Chair Tim Bray for details.

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