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CHANGE LIVES**

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THOUGHTS AND REFLECTIONS WITH DGD

A special thanks must go to all those wonderful Rotarians who wished me well during my recent battle with COVID. All your 'well wishes' are and were greatly appreciated. To be honest, I am grateful that I really only had two very unpleasant days during my isolation period. I have been informed that thanks to being 'triple Vaxed' my symptoms were so much more moderate and manageable.

I also apologise for not being available as much as usual due to the need for me to isolate but I also want to thank PDG Deb Loveday for stepping into the breach and acting as District Governor.

Please Rotarians, be careful and avoid this wretched virus. Stay vigilant and keep safe.

I hope everyone had a happy Christmas and a joyous New Year. Onward and upward for the Rotary year ahead.

DG David

RYPEN APRIL 2022



Communication

Confidence

Commitment

When: 1-3 April 2022

Where: Lake Keepit Sport & Recreation Centre

Cost: \$250 per person

Who: Year 7 – 12 students

Flyer: [RYPEN Flyer](#) - Program Overview



Poster: [RYPEN 22.Poster](#) - This can be printed on a normal printer at A4 size and displayed in your local schools and shops.



HOW TO APPLY

Complete the www.rotary9650.org.au/rypenapplicationform online



OR
email rotary9650rypen@gmail.com for an application form.

Closing Date for applications - **25 February 2022**

This event will occur under strict COVID guidelines



29th April - 7th May 2022
Lake Keepit Sport & Recreation



RYLA needs YOU!!

Please encourage your members to:

- identify** potential participants
- tell** them about the RYLA program
- share** the positive impact it will have on their lives
- encourage** them to apply
- encourage** employers in your Club to sponsor an employee
- invest** in the future of your Club

RYLA is the future of Rotary...
www.rotary9650.org.au/RYLA

The program is brilliant, the results outstanding,
the experience is life changing.

OPENING OF ART EXHIBITION

Official Opening Rotary Club of South West Rocks Art Exhibition and Prize

On behalf of the Rotary Club of South West Rocks, I wish to invite you to the Official Opening of the Rotary Club of South West Rocks Art Exhibition and Prize. This prestigious event incorporates the Adelaide Swift Memorial Art Prize and this year has attracted 58 exceptional entries from local Mid North Coast artists across a range of mediums.

This year the exhibition is being held daily from Saturday 8th to Saturday 22nd January and for the very first time is also available online at www.swrartgallery.com.au.



The online gallery is a great innovation, opening up the potential audience and supporting our regional artists with a permanent online presence.

The official opening will incorporate the announcement of all prize winners with a total of \$5,000 in prize money to be awarded to the amazing artists.

We would love to see you at the opening and would encourage your assistance in sharing this information.

If you could please advise of your availability at your earliest convenience.

Official Opening Rotary Club of South West Rocks Art Exhibition and Prize

Friday 14th January 2022

6.00PM

South West Rocks Primary School

WESTPAC RESCUE HELICOPTER FUNDRAISING

Hello All,

As the Chair of the District 9650 Rescue Helicopter Fundraising committee I have, for several years been writing to all District 9650 Clubs and in 2019 started including Districts 9640, 9670 and 9685 (being the Districts, along with 9650, serviced by the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service (WRHS) located north of the Hawkesbury River up to the Queensland border and reaching west to link up with that part of NSW serviced by the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

Each year I have updated the Clubs with the happenings of the WRHS and requested support.

Over the last couple of years I have been lobbying the WRHS to get the Rotary Wheel insignia on all four Helicopters owned by the Service (one in each of Lismore, Tamworth and Newcastle and the fourth used as a backup as needed) and in last year was able to advise the four Rotary Districts that an annual fundraising challenge of \$100,000 had been set and the WRHS was asked to provide conditions for long term recognition going forward. Contributions for the years to 30 June 2022 already stand at more than \$30,000, being mainly from 16 of the 9650 clubs west of the divide.

So, to meet this year's part of the challenge ending on 30 June a further \$70,000 from the four Districts is needed. WRHS will give us a bit of leeway in this initial year.

I will, shortly, be sending a letter to all Clubs in the four Districts setting out the guidelines issued by WRHS for future years that I received yesterday and if **all** clubs take up the next \$100,000 challenge and "Serve To Change Lives" (District 9650 motto 2021-2022) the goal will be readily attained.

**YOUR CLUB'S DONATION CAN BE DEPOSITED ONLINE TO:-
BSB 032621 - ACCOUNT 157402, Northern NSW Helicopter
Rescue Service OR PAYMENTS BY CHEQUE MAILED TO:-
Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service**

PO Box 230 or PO Box 3080 or PO Box 6187
New Lambton South Lismore Westdale
NSW 2305 NSW 2480 NSW 2340

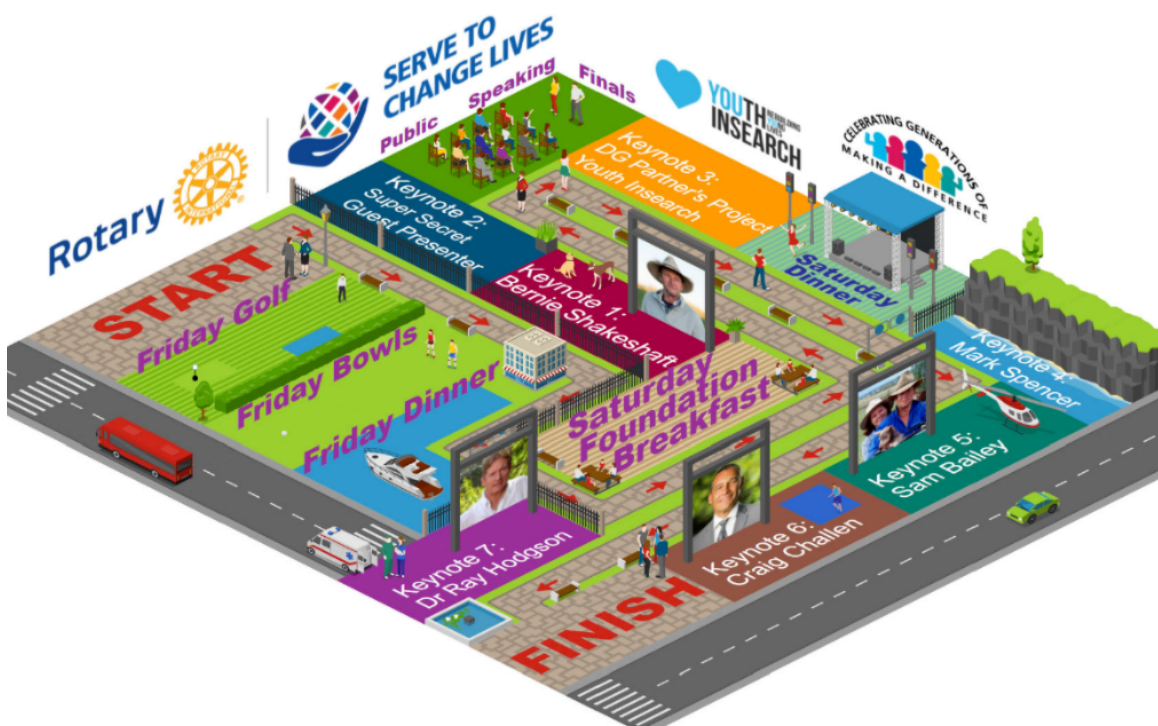
To ensure the accurate recording of all amounts donated by your Rotary Club, either directly or through your local support group, in cash or kind, PLEASE let me know details of your club's support, by email to bill_jan@bigpond.net.au, as there have been problems in the past in identifying all Rotary Club donations.

Cheers
Bill Warburton

DISTRICT CONFERENCE UPDATE

The keynote speakers are organised, registration is going live and the party is ready to start!

Please have a look at our roadmap to District 9650 Conference 2022 to see what you can look forward to at this year's conference.



his conference you can look forward to starting with your choice of 9 or 18 hole golf or bowls as well as your choice of either a sunset cruise with a three-course meal on the Hastings River or buffet style dinner at Town Green Buffet and Bar overlooking the Port Macquarie Town Green. On Saturday we will start with the Foundation Breakfast at 8am at Panthers Port Macquarie before kicking the main event at 10am with a host of guests, key-note speakers and public speaking finals. We will then close day one and see you back at Panthers at 6:30 for a 7pm start to really get the party going!

On Sunday we will begin with the Ecumenical Service at 8am followed by the conference reopening at 9am. We will continue to hear from our guests and keynote speakers before wrapping the conference up at 1pm.

Please register soon as places for particular sessions may be limited!

<https://www.rotary9650.org.au/district-conference>



Jack Wilson
Hastings Rotaract
Conference Chair

RYLA

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

SAT 30TH APRIL -
SAT 7TH MAY 2022

LAKE KEEPIT SPORT & REC CENTRE



DISCOVER

WAYS TO BECOME A BETTER
ROLE MODEL AND FACE
IMPORTANT PERSONAL, WORK
AND SOCIAL ISSUES



EXCHANGE

IDEAS AND OPINIONS WITH
TALENTED, ENERGETIC PEOPLE
IN A SUPPORTIVE ATMOSPHERE
FREE FROM DISTRACTION



DEVELOP

CLOSE RAPPORT WITH YOUR
ROTARY CLUB, ORGANISATIONS
AND DECISION MAKERS IN
YOUR COMMUNITY



RYLA IS A POWERFUL AND VALUABLE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE AND DEVELOP SKILLS THAT PARTICIPANTS CAN POSITIVELY CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES.

The objective of RYLA is to empower participants with self-awareness, confidence and leadership skills to assist them in becoming more effective leaders. Many former RYLA Awardees have benefited in ways far beyond the course objective. Past RYLarians are part of the Leadership team and many go on to become more involved in community activities.

The program provides skills in many areas including understanding human behaviour, social interaction skills, committee functions, human values, leadership, presentation skills & public speaking, lifestyle issues, communication and

Participants must be 19 - 27 years of age and ideally involved in some form of leadership within their communities, or have shown leadership potential in the workplace. Other relevant information is in the application form found on the website. Potential candidates will be formally interviewed as part of the selection process and must undergo a formal screening process, which will include reference checks.



QUERIES: Louise Matthews 0420 743 083 | DG David Mayne 0434 860 680
APPLICATIONS: lmjew@bigpond.com (applications close Friday 1st April 2022)
Program cost: \$1295 (all inclusive) - Formal dinner Wed 4th May, Tamworth
Applications found on website: www.rotary9650.org.au/RYLA

Rotary
Club of Lower Midcoast



**ANNUAL
BOOK
FAIR**

Tuncurry Memorial Hall

12th to 18th January 2022

Doors open 9.00am

Covid Rules in Place