

District 9500

District Governor Jane Owens

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President Josie Paine

56th Annual Report

2019/2020



Presidents Report 2019/2020

The end of another Rotary Year has arrived and another about to begin.

I thought that this being my second term as President would be all plan sailing. How wrong I was.

With changes in Policies and Procedures throughout Rotary our club encountered quite difficult times which caused a certain amount of stress and challenges, which to our members credit I feel we have ended the year stronger.

As I said in last year's report, "If you shoot for the moon, even if you miss, you will land among the stars".

At the beginning of this year I was encouraged to set some goals, with the help of Secretary Ian. These were set in black and white, they were quite simple, for example how many articles will you put into the press or how many new members will we sign up. 7 and 3 were my goals. Our club was the only club to do this in the Group 9 area. When speaking to Ian after he had been looking at these, he made the comment, "a lot of ground has been achieved this year especially since the COVID forced us to cut things short."

The little black book was introduced at the beginning of this year, which everyone just loved!!!! filling in their volunteer hours at each meeting. As with all of us we just go about our Rotary jobs, if can call them that, and do not look to broadcast to the world what we achieve. But these hours are tallied up by Secretary Ian, recorded and used by the district for insurances purposes and statistics when applying for funds/grants etc. Our clubs tally, 1101.5

Our next new adventure was applying for a District Grant, a first for our club. We were successful and this money was used to support the Riesling Trail support group to replace or repair 7 information signs.

We are now following up on what is the process for an International grant to help assist in our 2year Bhutan Project. This project, up skills a Dr in Bhutan to become a Plastic Surgeon who will work locally and save many people who have been burnt. Thanks go to Doug Rogers for this International project.

The implementation of Risk assessments check forms, the Rotary Youth Volunteer Information and Declaration Form were implemented. Our club accepted the new Child Protection Policy and Working with Vulnerable Persons form as well.

As our running costs were going up and our membership was going down it was agreed and passed that our subs, meal, and drink prices be increased.

During the year we had many varied guest speakers who continued to inspire us and reinforce why we are Rotarians and can and do change peoples lives for the better.

With drought, bush fires, COVID-19, mother nature showed her hand and things came to an abrupt holt. Once we caught our breath it was time to slowly work on getting things back to some sort of normality. We became Zoom experts, talked to each other via phone, email, or text message. If we had pigeon's I am sure we could have used them as well.

Now we are on the up we have started planning for a new year with vigour and positivity. Welcoming new members, new ideas and being accepting of those ideas to go forward with our club. At times all we need to do is a bit of tweaking to ensure the wheels of Rotary continue to turn and roll on.

I have tried to keep my report brief and the other Board members will report on their specific committees and achievements. Apologies to anyone who I have forgotten to mention or thank who have supported me this year.

I wish to sincerely thank our Members, Board Members and Friends of Rotary for their support, faith, and trust in me to lead our club.

To Chris and my family for their support and help.

To the District Rotarians who guided not only me but our Club, I thank you.

I wish Glenn, Shirley and new the Board all the best for the coming new year.

Josie Paine
President
Rotary Club of Clare
2018/2020.

Changeover
2019/2020



Youth Report

2019-2020

The 2019-20 Rotary year has been a particularly challenging one for all of us on many fronts. With floods, fires, then Covid 19 it all turned our lives inside out and it is not over yet by a long way. The board has had particularly challenging stressful and emotional times during the year leaving some of us a bit weary. However, despite all that we have still managed to raise a reasonable amount of funds for distribution this year.

1. Three NYSF students attended their respective programs in January. Unfortunately, Thomas Lymburn had to return home after the first week due to bushfires around Canberra, but he was still happy to talk to us about his experience when he returned. The 2 girl's sessions were not affected by the bushfires. They all spoke to us at our meeting on Mon 2nd March.
2. We now have 8 applicants for the Jan 2021 program, 7 from Clare High and 1 from Balaklava High. The interviews will be conducted on 27th July. Haylee Donselaar from Balaklava High has asked to be involved in this year's selection process which has been organised through Margaret Northcote, NYSF co-ordinator for Group9510.

Rotary Youth Driver Awareness (RYDA)

Unfortunately, RYDA did not happen this year due to Covid 19. The district pushed hard for us to send information to schools for their use in classrooms, but we decided given everyone's circumstances including any students studying from home, that schools had enough to contend with

Youth 2020-21

This year Bronwyn Willis is taking on the youth portfolio and I wish her a very enjoyable and fulfilling time in this role. Bronwyn will have my full support and I am sure that of the whole club as she takes on these very worthwhile programs.

Glenn Waldhuter
Youth Director

Rotary Club supports young people

THE Rotary Club of Clare is continuing its support in the development of young people.

Currently, the Rotary Club is seeking interest from local Mid-North high school students aged between 14 and 17 years, for a well-known and established developmental program called RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment).

This weekend program is to be held from April 5-7 at the Nunyara Conference and Residential Centre in Adelaide.

It is designed to be relevant and hugely beneficial in developing student self-esteem, confidence, resilience, emotional intelligence, public speaking and leadership skills.

Applications are available from the Rotary Club or from www.ryla-rypen9500.org.au and sponsorship is available to successful applicants.

In addition to this program, Clare Rotary is also seeking 18 - 26 year-old people who have been identified as potential community leaders to attend its RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) Program which is to be held July 6-12, again at Nunyara Conference and Residential centre.

This program is more directed at developing and extending the personal qualities young leaders of our community will utilise as they assume their role as future



Young people involved in the Rotary Youth program of Enrichment.

sored by the local Rotary Club of Clare.

Both of these programs have been established for many years and have proven very successful for so many students.

If you know of any young person who may be interested,

same to the Clare Rotary Club.

In addition to the above, current year 10 students who wish to consider studying overseas for 12 months on the Rotary student exchange program, may now apply with applications being received for 2020.

information for the exchange is available from www.rotaryyouth9500.org.au/youth-exchange/.

Finally, any local families that would like to consider offering themselves and their homes as a short-term host family for a

Community Service Report

2019/2020

Rotary Club of Clare has always been part of the local community, in our case, covering a large swathe of the Northern Plains from Balaklava to Burra and the many communities in between.

Clare has several service clubs and we work well together in many areas and maintain visibility, so we are well known in our local community to an extent which is the envy of city-based clubs.

Sadly, we have been hit by restrictions on community activities and our main activity, the Rotary Art Show has had to be cancelled. This will hit the community as it was our main fundraiser for the year, and this will impact our ability to support the needs within the local community.



We are always at the joint service club breakfast for Australia Day where we look after the supply of sausages while Lions look after eggs and Apex do the bacon. This is a high-profile event for the many community support groups and is much appreciated by Council, who sponsor the event.



Working with other community groups like Lions. Here Rotary President Josie and Rotarian Julianne are with Lions President Alan and Lion Greg at the opening of the Lions shop.

The Rotary Club of Clare has long been involved in community signs around the valley and our Rotary Club logo is found all around the area. However, the signs are showing signs of their vintage and we worked with Lions to update the information boards.



Local Service Clubs get together on a regular basis. Here the Presidents of Lions, Rotary, Zonta and Apex hosted a joint meeting of the Clubs.



Clare Pageant is a highlight of the year in Clare with large crowds coming to the town. This year Rotary had a float highlighting the work of Rotary PolioPlus. Rotary is also involved in marshalling the crowds and key venues along the Main Street.

Press Articles were one of our targets this year and we achieved our aim. Sadly, it looks like we have lost one of our local papers, the Northern Argus, but the Plains Producer and the Argus have both published several stories about Rotary through the year.

Bill Singleton
Director



Fellowship, Membership, Vocational Committee and Local Contact Directory 2019 – 2020

The year started with Helen Perry and Margaret Kimber sharing the Director's role. Helen resigned during the year and her expertise and knowledge is greatly missed. Thankyou Helen for what you contributed to our committee and club.

Fellowship being a primary focus, we organised several interesting social meetings at various locations and undertook to provide strong fellowship events for each month when there was a 5th Monday. These included – Records and Management speaker at the Clare Hotel. Our visit to our member Graham's business, Goode Restoration and sharing a meal in the workshop. A trip to the Waterloo Wind Farm was planned, but due to Covid 19, it was cancelled.

We organised the Christmas Dinner at Mintaro Institute where the catering was provided by members of the Mintaro Progress Association. We were the first group to use it after renovations and the paint was still fresh. It was a happy evening and they were kind enough to provide a visit from our friend in red. It was our plan this year, to expand out of Clare for some activities and meals so we were visible to more people in our area and they would become aware of what Rotary does in the wider community.

An African themed meal at the Rotary Centre was held and David Donato spoke about a recent trip he did with his daughter to Ethiopia to improve conditions in the village where Etabez was born. Our club has supported them with a monetary donation, and it was rewarding to see and hear what had been achieved. A new school building, cement floors and educational resources.



Messrs. G. Fisher & Sons' chaff- with only a shaking.

Clare Rotary supports children in Ethiopia



Helen Perry with guest speaker David Donato.

OUR guest speaker at the September 30 Clare Rotary Club meeting held at the Rotary Centre was David Donato. David has two children, Etabez and Deneke, siblings from the Kembata region in the southern highlands of Ethiopia.

Earlier this year, David and his daughter, Etabez, returned to Ethiopia, their second trip back to Etabez's birth village, where she was in first year at school before heading to a new life in Australia.

David, with help from the Rotary Club of Clare and friends from the high school, has been able to finance improvements to classrooms and new buildings over there, and furnished the library with enough books to help with education. David's description of life in the village were quite harrowing and brought home just how lucky kids are who are brought up in Australia in general and Clare in particular.

The Rotary Club of Clare donated \$1500 to support their first trip in 2017, an amount that Etabez matched through local fundraising.

With this she coordinated the cementing of floors for six classrooms and also enabled the purchase of teaching materials and text books.

For the trip in June, Etabez received \$5000 from the Rotary Club, which she arranged for the construction of two pre-school/Grade 1 classrooms, with a corrugated roof, cement floors, and mud rendered walls.

Helen Perry of the Rotary Club, said members were pleased to offer support, and noted how 'a small amount can provide so much!'

It is pleasing to know that a new member and friend will be inducted at our Handover Dinner in July. Gaining new members is one of the hardest tasks in Rotary and we did not come up with any solutions to improve this situation. It is an ongoing responsibility for all members, and we can only try our best to find different ways to achieve this.

Local Contact Directory

This project raised \$6900 for our club and has the potential to raise \$8000. The most challenging task is to round up the stragglers who have not paid!! After expenses the club has over \$4000 to use for the benefit of our local children in year three. We support 7 primary schools in our wider community.

Thank you to my committee David Dunstan and Greg Honeychurch

Margaret Kimber

Director

Art Show Report 2020

The Art Show committee was having regular meetings, planning for the 2020 Art Show that would have been the 23rd Art Show organised by the Rotary Club of Clare. Part of that planning was investigating ways to try and get more students from local schools to participate in our Art Show.

With the COVID-19 outbreaks in March, it was decided at the 24th March Board meeting that all Rotary functions were to be cancelled until further notice, meaning that our Art Show would not be held in 2020.

At this point I would like to thank members for their efforts in planning for the 2020 Art Show. I was particularly pleased that some sponsors had paid and have since been refunded, giving us a strong indication of wanting to continue their sponsorship into the future.

Saying all of this, I spent some time talking to new sponsors and I was pleased how many would have sponsored us this year. I will be following them up to see if they will be a part of the 2021 Art Show.

Club Rooms and Asset Report

Once again, I would like to thank members who continue to help clean and maintain the facility. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Graham Goode

Director

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

Our club project 2019/2020 Year: Helping Hands in Bhutan, contact Suzanne Cariagiannis

www.plainsproducer.com.au



Doug Rogers, Dr Tim Proudman, Rotary president Josie Paine, Suzanne Cariagiannis, Lorna Jaeschke

Helping Hands in Bhutan

ROTARY Club of Whyalla speakers took the time to visit Clare Rotary Club on Monday to talk about the work they are doing in the fascinating country of Bhutan.

Suzanne Cariagiannis explained about how the project developed.

The hospitals concentrate on lower limb injuries and work on hands and congenital defects tend to take a back seat.

Dr Tim Proudman explained how Rotary, through its Interplast organisation, came on board to supply more medical assistance and, more importantly, to provide extensive training for local surgeons, so work is not restricted to the few weeks that teams from Australia and elsewhere are in attendance.

It was an excellent presentation, which was not for the faint hearted, showing the range of work from cleft palates, burns and breaks, to birth defects.

It was fascinating to learn more about the relatively unknown Bhutan and to understand the issues facing this nation.

The Rotary Club of Clare is a supporter of this project and can be contacted for more details about this and other Rotary Interplast projects in the region.

Purpose of Project:

- 1) Support the travel and accommodation of a medical practitioner in Bhutan to travel to India in 2020 to be trained by Plastic Surgeon to be able help patients in Bhutan.
Funds required \$2,000 - \$3,000
- 2) Support the same medical practitioner in Bhutan to travel to Australia to be trained by Australian plastic surgeons in 2021.
Funds required \$12,000 - \$15,000

Clare Rotary Club held a most successful cinema night at the Blyth Cinema. We raised 1551.50 to source the initial stage of the Project.

A club motion was presented and passed that " Three Thousand dollars be donated by the Clare Rotary Club be made to Interplast to help cover the flights and accommodation for the Bhutan medical officer to receive training" moved D Rogers sec Marg Kimber passed

I have enjoyed my role as the Director across the year and thank all the committee members for their input.

Doug Rogers
Director

Club Administration Committee Report 2019/2020

This year I choose to have a club Administration committee which comprised of Secretary Ian Howlett, Bron Willis, Child Protection Officer Patricia Jacka, Bulletin Editor Julianne Pulford, and myself. We invited other members to our meetings to ensure we understood the history of how and why some of the traditions, policies and Standing Orders were formulated. These had not been reviewed for over 10years.

1. The committee reviewed the list of people who received a copy of our Bulletin either by email or hard copy posted. It was decided to add an option to opt out if people decided they did not want to receive a copy. Bron organised with the State Archives to receive the Bulletin via email as well.
2. The wording of our Invocation was next for review. With the recommendation that the last 4 words be removed, and last sentence read 'we give thanks.' This was addressed at a club assembly proposed and accepted.
3. It was observed that when new members were rostered for meeting set-up duties, they did not know what this entailed. Dot point cards were made with instruction for both meetings at the Hotel and the Rotary Shed which solved this problem.
4. Our Constitution and By Laws were overdue for review and following an offer through the district, Rotarian Gavin Dallow offered to assist with this task. He had sent the updated draft to the office in Parramatta and once that was approved all that was needed was to add the bylaws. Very sadly Gavin and his daughter were killed when they and his wife Lisa were on a cruise and were visiting the volcano which erupted in NZ. We will continue to work on this during the new year ensuring it follows the new District 9510. There will be ongoing support with this.
5. The Standing Orders were developed several years ago. Our committee reviewed each point, many which did not relate to how the club is run now plus the costs of meals subs etc were updated. The name was changed to Standing Procedures. The recommended changes were proposed and accepted at a club assembly and Board. Note these are to be reviewed annually and be added on the Board action sheet.
6. Our Web site and Face book page. Bill Singleton has been posting on our face book page keeping that up with our activities. We found out the we have 2 Website's. One site is dedicated to the Art show and Sharon Wallent is the webmaster for that site. The 2nd one is for our club and both Sharon and Jim Scott are webmasters for this site. The club site continues to be an area that requires more time and regular updates to ensure that its content is up to date and reflects projects we are involved in. This form of media is where any new potential members can go to and find out about our club, who to contact etc. Continues to be a work in progress.

I personally found this committee highly effective being able to discuss issues and achieve positive results in our club moving forward and being transparent. I wish to thank the committee for their time, effort, and input in resolving issues and ensuring the club's proforma is up to date.

Josie Paine

Wine Report 2019-2020

As in previous years O'Leary Walker Wines continued their support most generously. They supplied us with six pallets of their premium product at cost thus allowing our Club to donate generously to the various programmes we support. Our Thanks must go to their assistance.

It is not only the supply of wine but also, they allow us to use their postal account to ship wines to all areas in Australia.

As in the years past wine orders came from the Territory, WA, Victoria et al. The only place I have not yet assessed is Tasmania.

Our cost this year was \$22,912.96. and we received \$43,738.50. Sales were sluggish as they were last year. I blame the numerous websites offering cheap wines to a great extent. Also functions which would have resulted in large orders did not take place.

All in all, we did raise some money and I hope it will continue to do so.

Hermann Weber

Bulletin Report

Julianne Pulford again created the Bulletin reporting on the fortnightly meetings and rostering members to Chair meetings, undertake The Invocation and Rotary Spot. The Bulletin is then forwarded to Bronwyn who rosters members to monthly club set-ups, paper bin emptying and distribution of the Bulletin. The Bulletin is emailed to members, Honorary members, friends of Rotary, Region club secretaries and The State Library, with a few hard copies posted.

Jim Scott has taken over distributing the Probus Club bulletin.

Programme for 2019-2020

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Topic</u>
1-Jul-19	Hotel	Member	Profiles
7-Jul-19		PAPER DRIVE	8:30am
7-Jul-19	Rotary Change Over	Clare Bowling Club	11:30 - 12PM
8-Jul-19	Rotary Centre	Board Meeting	
15-Jul-19	Rotary Centre	Allan Mayfield	Riesling Trail
22-Jul-19	Rotary Centre	Art Show Meeting	
29-Jul-19	Clare Central Motel	Partners Fifth Monday	
5-Aug-19	Hotel	Partners Jeremy Scott	Heart Matters
12-Aug-19	Rotary Centre	Board Meeting	
19-Aug-19	Rotary Centre	Ian Palmer USA	Fracking Matters
26-Aug-19	Rotary Centre	Art Show Meeting	
1-Sep-19		PAPER DRIVE	8:30am
2-Sep-19	Hotel	Rotarian Helen Perry	Auburn - as it was
9-Sep-19	Rotary Centre	Board Meeting	
16-Sep-19	Rotary Centre	Medical Interns	
23-Sep-19	Rotary Centre	Art Show Meeting	
30-Sep-19	Rotary Centre	Partners Fellowship	Ethiopia
7-Oct-19	PUBLIC HOLIDAY	No Meeting	
14-Oct-19	Rotary Centre	Board Meeting	
21-Oct-19	Rotary Centre	Club Assembly	
28-Oct-19	Rotary Centre	Art Show Meeting	
3-Nov-19		PAPER DRIVE	8:30am
4-Nov-19	Hotel	Kathy	The Corner Patch
11-Nov-19	Rotary Centre	Board Meeting	
18-Nov-19	Rotary Centre	W & d Spackman	Heritage volunteer
25-Nov-19	Rotary Centre	Art Show Meeting	
2-Dec-19	Hotel	Paige Klingner (NYSF)	Hamburg
7-Dec-19	Rotary Centre	Board Meeting	
16-Dec-19	CHRISTMAS FUNCTION	MINTARO INSTITUTE	
23-Dec-19	Rotary Centre	Art Show Meeting	
	Happy New Year	Happy New Year	
5-Jan-20		PAPER DRIVE	8:30am
6-Jan-20	G Waldhuter's	New Year Fellowship	
13-Jan-20	Rotary Centre	Board Meeting	
20-Jan-20	Goodes Restoration	Vocational	
26-Jan-20	Pioneer Park	Australia Day Breakfast	
27-Jan-20	Rotary Centre	Art Show Meeting	
3-Feb-20	Hotel	Suzanne Carriagiannis	Bhutan
10-Feb-20	Rotary Centre	Board Meeting	
17-Feb-20	Rotary Centre	Club Assembly	
24-Feb-20	Rotary Centre	Art Show Meeting	

1-Mar-20		PAPER DRIVE	8:30am
2-Mar-20	Hotel	NYSF Student Presentations	
9-Mar-20	Rotary Centre	Board Meeting	
16-Mar-20	Rotary Centre	Service Clubs Meeting	
	NO MEETINGS	COVID-19	
1-Jun-20	Rotary Centre	Clontarff Foundation	
15-Jun-20	Rotary Centre	Member Profiles	
28-Jun-20	Paine's House	Social Gathering	
5-Jul-20		PAPER DRIVE	
6-Jul-20	Hotel	S Magor	
13-Jul-20	Rotary Centre	Board Meeting	



Social gathering end of year June 2020

2020/21 Rotary Team

PRESIDENT	Glenn Waldhuter
PRESIDENT ELECT	t.b.c.
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT	Josie Paine
SECRETARY	Ian Howlett
TREASURER	Stephen Freeman

COMMITTEES

FELLOWSHIP / MEMBERSHIP / VOCATIONAL

Josie Paine Margaret Kimber, David Dunstan

YOUTH

Bronwyn Willis Ian Howlett, Bruce Reichstein.

INTERNATIONAL / FOUNDATION

Sharyn Daly Lorna Jaeschke, Bella Matheson

COMMUNITY

Greg Honeychurch David Dunstan, Glenn Waldhuter

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Glenn Waldhuter Ian Howlett, Patricia Jacka, Josie Paine

ART EXHIBITION

Graham Goode G Waldhuter, S Freeman, J Pulford All club

WINE SALES

David Dunstan Hermann Weber

CLUB OFFICERS

Public Officer	Graham Goode
Program	Patricia Jacka / Josie Paine
Club/Child Protection Officer	Patricia Jacka / Ian Howlett
Bulletin / Rosters	Bronwyn Willis
Historian	tba
Club room/Property	Graham Goode / Stephen Freeman
Public Relations	Ian Howlett / Josie Paine
Meeting/Board Records	Ian Howlett
Registration/Catering	Graham Goode
Sergeant	David Dunstan