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A BIG WELLO HELLO TO YOU ALL!

As September comes to an end, I want us to take the time to reflect on the amazing progress being already, and to also look forward to the exciting things still yet to come!

We loved having Caitlin McIntosh present to our club in sharing her recent experiences through attending the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) camp. This program is one of many Rotary leadership programs, and aims to challenge people aged between 18 and 28 years, to discover their leadership potential and develop their skills during a week-long camp. Our club is thrilled to have sponsored Caitlin to attend RYLA, and we are certain that she will continue to use her leadership skills to enable others to reach their potential. I would therefore like to encourage all of our members to continue looking out for other young people that may benefit from attending programs such as RYLA.

I can personally vouch that these experiences are positively life-changing, and I really appreciate how the club continues to support inspiring people like Caitlin throughout their leadership journey.

It was most inspiring to see the great things taking place in our surrounding local Rotary clubs through a recent cluster meeting, including community family fun days, engaging disadvantaged school students throughout schooling, and providing hygiene and sanitation products to families doing it tough. As the year progresses, there will be multiple opportunities to form partnerships with other Rotary clubs and organisations to deliver needs-based initiatives in our community. If you would like to see a particular project or activity run in partnership with another group, please let one of our club's directors or myself know!

We are all looking forward to District Governor (DG) Ros Kelly visiting our club on the 2nd October.

Assistant Governor (AG) Ritche Andit will also be attending this meeting – and I'm sure it will be a memorable night for all. During this meeting, we will hear from DG Ros about the vision and activities taking place throughout our District and across the world, in alignment with this year's theme of 'Rotary Connects the World'.

We have numerous volunteering opportunities coming up, including a Bunnings BBQ on the 2nd October, and the Redlands Diabetes One Walk on the 20th October – we would love to have you along! You can also show your support for mental health research through the upcoming morning tea being held by Matty on the 10th October. Another worthy event to attend will take place later that night (10th October), where the 'World Homeless Day' Dinner is taking place at the Redlands Community Centre. Furthermore, ongoing planning is taking place for activities such as the club raffle, and the Eulo fundraising dinner and trip.

Which project or activity would you like to be involved in?

So whether you've been helping out at RedFest, attending the Rotary Club of Brisbane International's Famous Curry Night, supporting other local community events, or organising an upcoming club project – I want to say thank you for the work that you do. In whatever way you give, you make our Rotary family even more special, and you are making an impactful difference in the world. The flame that is being lit by 1.2 million other Rotarians shines that bit brighter because of you.

Thank you for choosing our club as your family.

President Catherine



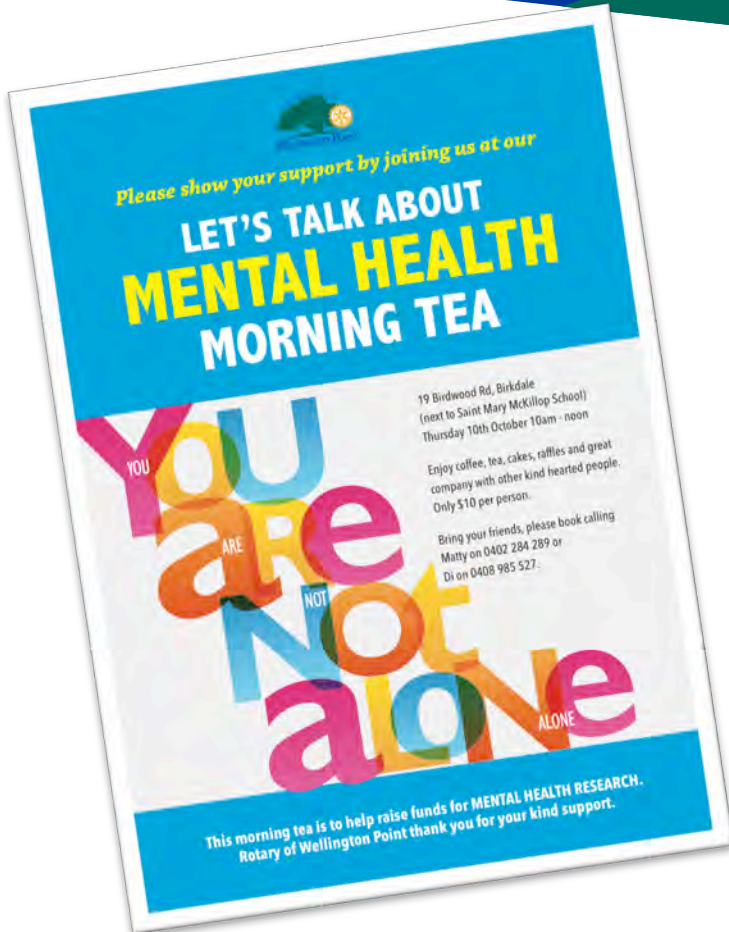
RYLA - CAITLIN MCINTOSH

We thank Caitlin for joining us on the 4th September to share her inspiring RYLA story.

"Thank you so much for sponsoring me to go on this incredible adventure. I have learnt so much about myself, leadership and others. This opportunity was life changing and I will forever be grateful for your kindness in sending me because RYLA is so much more than just a camp.

RYLA was a wonderful experience that allowed myself and everyone with me to grow so much. Having 40 more young people with a positive outlook on life and a leadership skillset to last a lifetime is exactly what this world needs. Once again thankyou so much for your sponsorship."

Caitlin McIntosh



MENTAL HEALTH MORNING TEA FUNDRAISER!

10th October 10am-12noon \$10 pp

Bring your friends, family, and colleagues!

Please RSVP ASAP to Matty or Di and advise if you are able to provide a raffle item + a plate of food to share.

YOU
ARE
NOT
ALONE

REDFEST - STRAWBERRIES GALORE!

Some of us like chocolate whilst berries are for the rest
At Redfest the berries on display were totally just the best
Eager families saved the pennies and lined up at the gate
There was so much to see and do - they didn't dare be late
The produce grown locally was justifiably proudly on display
Rotarians parking cars and collecting tickets enjoyed their day
The Redlands fruitbowl was plentiful - a total sheer delight
Redfest culminated with fireworks lighting the sky each night
Thanks everyone for the fellowship and fun, giving of your best
Now back to those berries, to put my taste buds to the test

Lorraine



IT'S A SMALL WORLD!

Sue Mulraney, Secretary of Rotary District 9630 visited the Centro markets at Windaroo recently. There were many market stall holders and a talented young lady caught her eye - Monique from Decor Me Moni K, who creates beautiful hand painted signs. Sue reached out to Monique to restore the Rotary International wheel, which Monique enthusiastically said yes to.

Monique was delighted to donate her time to refresh the Rotary wheel from old to new, incorporating the updated Rotary International colours. Next project is the Rotary Club of Dalby, a beautiful old wheel made in 1939!



It's a small world,
as this talented artist
is my eldest daughter
Monique.

Sharon

RESTORATION OF LOCAL ROTARY WHEEL



Before



After



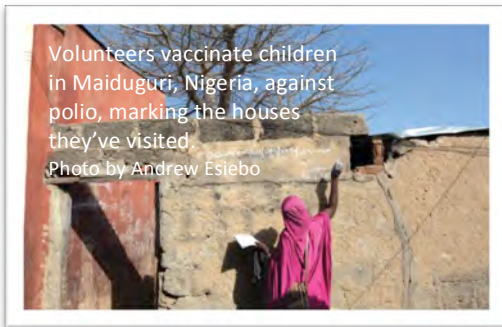
NIGERIA REACHES CRUCIAL POLIO MILESTONE

By Ryan Hyland

It's been three years since health officials last reported a case of polio caused by the wild poliovirus in Nigeria. The milestone, reached on 21 August, means that it's possible for the entire World Health Organization (WHO) African region to be certified wild poliovirus-free next year.

Nigeria's success is the result of several sustained efforts, including domestic and international financing, the commitment of thousands of health workers, and strategies to immunize children who previously couldn't be reached because of a lack of security in the country's northern states.

"Rotary, its Global Polio Eradication Initiative partners, and the Nigerian government have strengthened immunization and disease detection systems," says Michael K. McGovern, chair of Rotary's International PolioPlus Committee. He adds: "We are now reaching more children than ever in some of the hardest-to-reach places in Nigeria."



Volunteers vaccinate children in Maiduguri, Nigeria, against polio, marking the houses they've visited.

Photo by Andrew Esiebo

McGovern says Rotary members in Nigeria play an important role in ridding the country of the disease. "Rotarians have been hard at work raising awareness for polio eradication, advocating with the government, and addressing other basic health needs to complement polio eradication efforts, like providing clean water to vulnerable communities."

Nigeria is the last country in Africa where polio is endemic. Once Africa is certified as free of the wild poliovirus, five of the WHO's six regions will be free of wild polio. Polio remains endemic in Afghanistan and Pakistan, which means transmission of the virus has never been stopped.

Dr. Tunji Funsho, chair of Rotary's Nigeria National PolioPlus Committee, acknowledges the milestone but cautions Rotary members about celebrating too soon. He cites the challenge of making certain that routine immunizations reach every child in Nigeria.

"It's paramount that we ensure all doors are locked to the re-entry of the wild poliovirus into our country," says Funsho.

Funsho says to achieve this, Rotary needs to maintain strong advocacy efforts, continue to increase awareness of immunization campaigns, and ensure members raise necessary funds. Rotary has contributed \$268 million to fight polio in Nigeria.

"As the first organization to dream of a polio-free world, Rotary is committed to fulfilling our promise," says McGovern. "Our progress in Nigeria is a big step toward that goal, but we need to maintain momentum so that Pakistan and Afghanistan see the same level of progress."





THE WELLO HELLO

The Rotary Club of Wellington Point ROSTER + EVENTS

DATE	MEETING LOCATION	WELLO FELLO	ATTENDANCE	CHAIRPERSON	ROTARY TOAST	SPEAKER INTRO	SPEAKER	SPEAKER TOPIC	SERGEANT
25-Sep	Front Room	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING
2-Oct	Front Room - 6.15pm for 6.30pm start	Barry Melgaard	Matty McKenna	Peter Moody	Lorraine Hooker	Catherine Smith	DG Ros Kelly Vist	District Information	Steven Knight
9-Oct	Board Room	Neil Waterer	Eileen Haslemore	Tony Mills	Matty McKenna Australia+International	TBC	TBC	TBC	Steven Knight
16-Oct	Front Room	Ken Vann-Noort	Gordon Lawrence	Dianne Thompson	Peter Moody Australia+International	-	-	-	Steven Knight
23-Oct	Front Room	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING	BOARD MEETING

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME	VOLUNTEERS	CONTACT	MOBILE/EMAIL	ACTION	SPECIAL NOTES
20/21/22 Sept	Conference	Christchurch NZ	3 Days	-	All info in District Newsletter	-	-	-
21-Sep	International Day of Peace Lecture	St John's Cathedral Ann St Brisbane	6pm to 8pm	-	-	-	FREE Event	Info in 2 Sept District Weekly
2-Oct	DG Ros Kelly Visit	Redlands Sporting Club	6.15pm for 6.30pm	-	-	-	-	Please arrive on time
2-Oct	Bunnings BBQ	Capalaba	All Day	YES	The Neil Waterer	neilwaterer2@gmail.com	Contact Neil to assist ASAP	-
10-Oct	World Homeless Day Dinner Redlands CC 6-9pm	The Underhill Centre, 55-57 Degan St Capalaba	6-9pm	-	https://hub.benojo.com/cam.../rcc-hu-world-homeless-day-dinner	-	Bookings essential	35pp book online
10-Oct	Mental Health - Club Morning Tea Fundraiser	Matty + Martin McKenna, 19 Birkdale Rd Birkdale.	10am - noon	YES contact MATTY	Matty McKenna	matty.mck@gmail.com	Bookings essential	\$10 pp

IMPORTANT
If you are rostered on but unavailable, please kindly ask a fellow Rotary member to fill your position, also please advise Sharon m 0419 752 242 who the replacement is.

