





Why did you join Rotary?

You are warmly invited to send in your 'Rotary story' to us.



### **CHATTING WITH CATHERINE**

A warm Wello Hello to you all!

I hope that you are enjoying the Rotary year thus far, and are excited for the many ways that we will connect the world and ultimately, make a positive and lasting difference.

We've already welcomed in August and its monthly theme of 'Membership and New Club Development', with a club social dinner at Jaipur Palace – thank you to all who attended and made it a special night!





#### **GENERAL MEETING SPEAKER!**

It was most inspiring to hear from the passionate Collier family – Neale, Ronwyn and Jenali - about the positive impact felt both internationally and locally from the Vanuatu Library Project. A significant amount of effort goes into the creation of customised libraries through donated local resources, and the books and shelving are later sent and installed in Vanuatu-based schools.

The libraries have been instrumental in increasing the accessibility to education in these communities, from young children all the way to adults who are training to become nurses. It was heart-warming to see how our club has been able to assist in making this happen – your support is greatly appreciated!

This project is directly addressing a global need, as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Millennium Development Goal is to "achieve universal primary education."



If you would love to get involved with this great project, there is an upcoming interclub opportunity for members to participate in (see email titled "Rotary- Vanuatu Library Project" which

was sent on 30th July 2019). For more information about the project, please visit

https://www.libraryproject.com.au/



#### **FUNDRAISERS + VOLUNTEERING**

Our members have been hard at work 'BBQing' at Bunnings and at the St Mary Mackillop fete...

and some members in particular did so in style.

A deep thank you to Neil, Peter and the teams that continuously help out at the BBQ and present the friendly face of Rotary to the public.

Knit one - pearl one - even drop a few
For our good sport Barry - knitting was new
Fronting at our BBQ - sausage aroma profound
We set him up to depict that 'knitting' he had found
But my friend, knitting needles belong in the hand
Behind your ears one needle strangely did land
Of the humour and laughter, I am a great fan
Our BBQs are done willingly, just because 'we can'

Lorraine

Assistance was also provided for organising the parking through Ormiston House as the Rolls Royce Concours show was held - thank you Glen for sharing these beauties with us!



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## **THIS WEEK**

This week we will be conducting a Planning Meeting, where we will delve further into organising the year ahead. An email has been sent out to all members with information about the club's final voting results and proposed action plan, so feel free to have a read over a nice cuppa and some bickies! Further along our timeline on the 21<sup>st</sup> August, we will have Lawrie Hardwick (a Past President of ours) deliver a Public AED (automated external defibrillator) presentation. We are thrilled to have Lawrie join us and provide his expertise on this lifesaving topic – you are welcome to bring a friend along!

We would love to share your story and to keep these inspiring conversations going, and to let people know about the good work we do in the community. For more information, check the "What's your Story" email sent on 9/8/19.

Finally, I am truly grateful to be here with you, and to have this opportunity to work together as we strive to improve the lives of others. For me personally, I can sincerely say that you have added so much colour and depth to my life. Upon reflection, I would therefore like to ask you – how much does your Rotary experience add value and meaning to your life? And, how can we further increase this value and meaning?

As always, your thoughts are welcomed!

**President Catherine** 

