

Meeting Notes & News 2022/23

Tuesday 11 April 2023



Shine On Awards 2023

This week we welcomed Club Members, friends and guests for The Rotary Club of Southern Districts' Shine On Awards evening, our outstanding annual event. The Shine On Awards recognise and acknowledge outstanding contributions made by those who, despite special needs or a disability, challenge themselves to provide service to their local, and the wider, community. These are individuals whose commitment to helping others demonstrates alignment with Rotary's values. Their actions in the Rotary spirit of 'Service Above Self', make them *shining* examples to the community.

Attending were the awardees, their guests and family members, and representatives from the organisations or individuals who nominated each of the very deserving winners: VisAbility, Brightwater Care Group, Bee Yourself, The Rotary Club of Como and MLA for Thornlie Chris Tallentire, who so very kindly presented the Awards.

We were also lucky enough to have the company of two District Governors and their partners: Ineke and Geoff Oliver and our own Ric and Ailsa McDonald.

It was a joyous evening to warm the heart. Congratulations to this year's inspirational awardees!



Alia Abidi (centre) works as a mentor and support officer, planning programs for youth and the disabled. She is universally loved by staff and patrons of the Vic Park Community Centre for her inspirational energy, empathy and enthusiasm.



*Newly qualified NDIS Disability Support Worker, **Bec Hocking**, with mentor [and Club friend] Giselle Villar.*



*Teenage business entrepreneur, **Sharima Martinez** who manufactures and markets a range of beautiful soaps and skin care products, designed to suit the needs of those who find difficulty with gripping or applying more traditional versions, is also a dedicated volunteer at Guide Dogs.*



Mark Elsing, a Disability Advocate and inspirational serial endurance-feat fundraiser, who has set world records, is presented with his Award by MLA Chris Tallentire. 'Never give up' is Mark's motto.

The first Rotary Shine On Awards were presented in Brisbane in 1993 but soon the idea became an Australia-wide Rotary-endorsed award program for exceptional service to others by people with special needs/ disabilities.

Since 2012, our Club has keenly supported the program and hosts an annual Club event to make Shine On awards to our local Stars. To the best of our knowledge, we are the only Rotary Club in WA who does so. For this, we owe our immense thanks to MC and organiser extraordinaire of the Southern Districts' Shine On Awards, Phil Cordery – without whom none of this could happen!



Past President Phil Cordery would like to thank those Club Members who helped make our 2023 awards night another successful event: Craig Howlett for photographing the Awardees; Naomi Green and Michelle Gibson for their efficient Attendance duties; Susan Howlett for arranging the major raffle prize; those who helped put up and take down the media wall; also those who helped Ritchell Lim with her musical equipment; and all those who supported VisAblty by purchasing some their products. All monies raised go to help them continue their work at VisAblty

Gemma Travers (below, centre) is a talented Mosaic Artist who generously donates much of her work to raise funds for the sight impaired



Deborah Kazich is a proud member of, and a dedicated advocate for, the Deaf-Blind community. She is an inspirational mentor with a special interest in inclusivity and diversity in the creative and performing arts.



Hugely talented professional musician and vocalist, **Ritchell Lim**, was kind enough to again provide musical entertainment for the evening. Thank you, Ritchell!

Club Service

INFORMATION

“The exuberance, excitement, friendship, joy of our club is not due to circumstances but our decisions.

- **Have a voice, come to our Tuesday 18th April Club Meeting to improve the activities of our club.**
- **Help us form closer ties with our community, to improve meeting our societies’ social needs. How should our club meet these challenges?**
- **Our voice is not getting younger. Your club needs to hear your voice, listen to your ideas, help our club to form a combined strategy for action.”**

Following our Club Meeting there will be a Board Meeting. Directors, please send your reports to Michelle Gibson before Sunday 16 April.

CLUB NIGHT DUTIES

Tuesday 21 March 2023

Property	Gordon Smith	Robert Da Prato
Attendance	Malcolm Kerr	Carlton D’Souza
Sergeant & Fines	Naomi Green	



BRING & BUY DUTIES

Sunday 16 April 2023

TEAM 4

Murray Thorpe [Leader]

Sandy Cream

Lloyd Dungey

Malcolm Kerr

Upcoming Events

- Sun Apr 16 Bring & Buy Markets at Maddington Central: 5.00 to 10.30am
Murray's Team 4 is on Duty.
- Sun Apr 16 pm Club Fellowship Event at Last Drop Elizabethan in Bedfordale: 3.30pm onwards (see flyer below for details).**
- Tue Apr 18 Club Night at GGC: Club Focus for 2023/24; Board Meeting**
- Sun Apr 23 Bring & Buy Markets at Maddington Central: 5.00 to 10.30am
John Stockbridge's Team 5 is on Duty.
- Tue Apr 25 ANZAC DAY – No meeting tonight**
- Sun Apr 30 Bring & Buy Markets at Maddington Central: 5.00 to 10.30am
Phil's Team 1 is on Duty.
- Tue May 2 Club Night at GGC: Speakers are Owen Yandell from National Youth Science Forum and Craig Howlett on Rotary Leadership Institute Course.**
- Sun May 7 Bring & Buy Markets at Maddington Central: 5.00 to 10.30am
Grant's Team 2 is on Duty.
- Tue May 9 Ron Sloan Scholarship Night at GGC**
- Mother's Day
Sun May 14 Bring & Buy Markets at Maddington Central: 5.00 to 10.30am
Patrick's Team 3 is on Duty.
- Tue May 16 Club Night at GGC: Board Meeting**



LAST DROP ELIZABETHAN

Fellowship Event:

- Sun 16th April (Week After Easter)
- Meet 3.30 pm – 4pm for Drinks & then Dinner
- Buy Your Own Drinks / Food

• Location:



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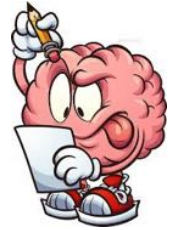
This Week's Brain-Teaser



How many words can you make using the letters in the word

AUTUMNAL ?

(e.g. MAT, AUTUMN, etc*)



The longest list emailed or texted to Susan by next Tuesday lunch time, wins the week's prize.



Answers to Cap or Coop

How well did you know your Easter Bonnets from your Spring Chickens?

Tricorn



Leghorn



Zucchetto



Ancona



Caubeen



Hamburg



[Homburg]



Kepi



* As per standard rules for this sort of thing, no people's or place names or abbreviations, though, please.