



Club President: Jacquie Lockyer

Secretary: Chris Evans

Treasurer: Stephen Humphreys

Rotary International President

2024/2025: Stephanie A. Urchick

District Governor 2024/2025: Sue Hayward

Community Leader: Shane Burette

## Club Bulletin

14th April 2025



Dear Rotarians and Friends of Rotary,

This week we had the absolute privilege of hearing the stories of three of our new members. What a joy it was to hear them share a little of their lives with us and what brought them to the Rotary Club of Camden. I certainly walked away feeling privileged for the insight into these 3 wonderful peoples lives, their families and their careers. I walked away last week inspired by them, eager to learn even more and so honored that they chose Camden to be the Rotary Club they have chosen to join. What phenomenal membership we have at Camden.

Ally shared her journey with owning and coaching a swim school. She is passionate about water safety and went above and beyond to ensure that the Wollondilly community were water safe. Peter shared his career in law and his beautiful story of meeting Karin who he helped to buy her first time as the solicitor. And Ben shared with us he likes to wear Crocs with Socks while he shops! He is a proud dad of 3 young children with whom he shares a passion to give back to community.



Next time you attend a meeting, make the effort to sit with one of our new members and learn a little more about them. They really are remarkable people with a passion to serve community above themselves.

While we consider serving community, can I thank Ross and his team of merry gardeners who attended the palliative care gardens on Tuesday this week. In a short time they cleaned, weeded, pruned and tidies up the space to make it a special place for the patients in the palliative care ward at Camden Hospital.

We have one more week before we head into Easter. I look forward to hearing about all things NASA next week from our guest speaker.

Yours in Rotary

Jacquie

## UPCOMING EVENTS

14th April 2025

Geoff Hallam - Working with NASA  
Camden Golf Club (7:00pm to 8:30pm)

21st April 2025

Easter Monday

No Meeting

28th April 2025

TBC

Camden Golf Club (7:00pm to 8:30pm)

5th May 2025

Research Project

Camden Golf Club (7:00pm to 8:30pm)

12th May 2025

Pride in Workmanship awards

Camden Golf Club (7:00pm to 8:30pm)

### IMPORTANT MEETING INFORMATION

If you are **NOT** attending a meeting, or **to register** your guests, you **MUST** notify the Attendance Committee by email. **No later than midday Friday.**

[camdenrotaryattendance@gmail.com](mailto:camdenrotaryattendance@gmail.com)



[Rotary Club of Camden | Facebook](#)

## April CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday to our Rotarians:

|   |               |            |
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| ◇ | Jim Drinnan   | 10th April |
| ◇ | Matt Playford | 13th April |
| ◇ | Graeme Watson | 26th April |

Anniversaries in April

- Graeme and Pauline Watson (25 years on 29th April)
- Rob and Marlene Eaglesham (20 years on 16th April)

*In April, we recognise Years of Rotary service by:*



*Greg Dobson (11 years on 21st April)*

**Next BBQ at Bunnings is 25th May.**

**Add to your diaries**



### **Palliative Care Garden at Camden Hospital**

Ross (Service Director) scheduled a cleanup of the Palliative gardens last Tuesday morning, the 8th April.

Four members (Jo Perrin, Colin Stanzione, Peter Riordan and Ross Newport) brought gloves, blower and/or rakes. Ross provided the mulch and the project took about two hours.

Take a look at the next two pages on how good this garden is presented. What an on-going project this is making a difference for the patients in palliative care at Camden Hospital. Be **PROUD** Rotary Club of Camden.





This photo collage is testament to firstly the outstanding work of Ross, Jo, Colin and Peter on an amazing effort.

But more importantly, what an amazing environment the Rotary Club of Camden is providing for the enjoyment in a peaceful environment for patients in Palliative Care at Camden Hospital.



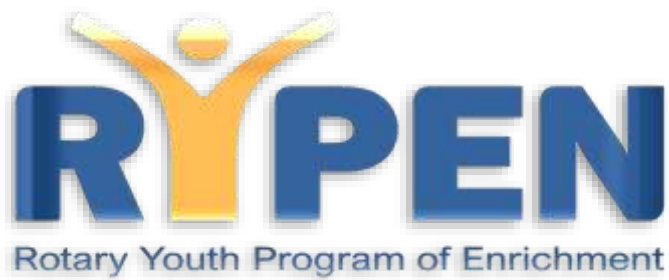
April is  
Maternal and Child Health Month

Rotary makes high-quality health care available to vulnerable mothers and children so they can live longer and grow stronger.

We expand access to quality care, so mothers and children everywhere can have the same opportunities for a healthy future. An estimated 5.9 million children under the age of five die each year because of malnutrition, inadequate health care, and poor sanitation — all of which can be prevented.



On Monday 14th April, we will welcome Geoff Hallam for a presentation on ..."Working with the Chief Test Pilot and Senior Astronaut of NASA on a project to modify the 747 Space Shuttle Carriers Engines whilst working for Qantas".



Congratulations to Sam and Angus on attending the RYPEN program last weekend. The Rotary Club of Camden is delighted to support these students in attending the exciting program. We look forward to welcoming both outstanding students to a meeting in the coming months to share their experiences and also the impact RYPEN has on young Australians.



Who am I? I was born on the 4<sup>th</sup> November 1957 in London and moved to Australia in 1960.

After graduating from Sydney University where I studied Economics and Law, I trained as a Roman Catholic Seminarian.

Later I worked as a journalist, business manager and advisor in the political arena.

In 1994, I one the by-election for a federal seat in Sydney.

I have had various federal leadership roles and also served in opposition.

In 2015, on a visit to Tasmania, I bit into an unpeeled whole raw onion, which created some interest including You Tube clips

I have also been an active volunteer member of the Davidson Rural Fire Service and don't mind a swim in my speedos.

Since 2020, I have been an advisor to the UK Board of Trade

I am married to Margie?

I am ..... ??????



*These are upcoming events.  
Important to keep your calendars up-  
dated with key programs and activities*

**6th May 2025**

UTurn The Wheel at Elderslie HS

**12th May 2025**

Pride of Workmanship Awards

**15th May 2025**

UTurn the Wheel at St Benedicts

**25th May 2025**

BBQ at Bunnings

**30th June 2025**

Club Change-over



Can you answer these 'election' focused questions?

- How many Senate Seats are there for each State of Australia?
- The Senate (Upper House) and House of Representatives (Lower House) each have a Colour on the furniture. What Colour is the House of Representatives?
- Is Oran Park in the Federal Seat of Hume or Macarthur?
- What time does a Polling Booth open on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. What is the closing time?
- PM Albanese is known to mention his pet Caboodle a few times. What is her name?
- What was Peter Dutton's occupation before joining politics?
- What street in Camden would you find the Principal Office of Angus Taylor?
- There are different voting systems around the world. What type of Voting System do we have in Australia?
- Who issues the Writ so an election process can be conducted in Australia?



**Pride in Workmanship Awards**

**12th May 2025**

**We will be looking for nominations. See Notice on Page 6 and 7**

**What Matters Most to Older Adults and People Living with Dementia When Choosing How to Sleep Better?**



Do you have problems with sleeping? Are you aged over 65, a person living with dementia, or a person caring for a loved one with dementia?



You are invited to complete a 30-60 minute interview or focus group sharing your perspective on how sleep management can be improved in older adults and people living with dementia.



Contact Ash McEvoy for more information and to see our explanatory statement.

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## A new Icon in Camden



We recommend checking out this new Icon in Camden, near the Camden Hospital.

Another successful Rotary Club of Camden Project

- Only 16 members responded to the Club health Check Survey, which was quite disappointing – overall mostly positive responses although there were a couple of poor responses that need to be looked at in the future.
- The Emergency Services monument is slowly progressing with Council now on side and the proposed design being amended.
- The art-work on the Rotary mural is finished – in the near future will hold a working bee to clean the tiles and sandstone surrounds. (We received a District Grant of \$5k for this project.)
- Still waiting for approval from Council to install lights on the top of the Mural.
- The profit from the Lift the Lid walk was \$7262.02 which was donated to Australian Rotary Health.
- Had 2 attendees at RYPEN last weekend and the feedback from them is very positive.
- Ross, Jo, Colin and Peter Riordan spent over 2 hours tidying up the Palliative Care Gardens on Tuesday.
- Agreed to make the following donations:
  - 1 new Shelter Bag to assist recovery after the earth quake at Myanmar.
  - 1k to assist flood victims in Queensland and
  - 1K to assist Phil Casey (recent guest speaker) who is taking another group of school students to walk the Kokoda Track.

**UPDATE**  
**FROM THE BOARD**

President Jacquie will be applying for our Club to be considered 'Club of the Year'.



# Rotary Club of Camden



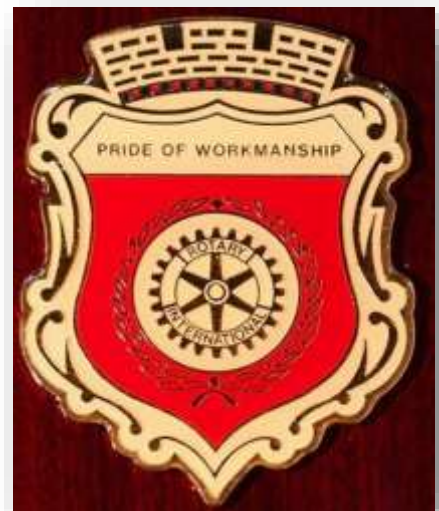
## PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARDS

**To be held 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start  
12<sup>th</sup> May 2025 Camden Golf Club, 50 Lodges Road, Narellan**

This program seeks to identify individuals whose exemplary contributions to their vocation are worthy of public acknowledgement.

All nominees are presented with a Rotary Pride of Workmanship plaque. The aim is to encourage a much-needed pride in personal performance in the workplace and to help create a national attitude for the benefit of the country.

Pride of Workmanship presentations provide an excellent opportunity for Rotary to promote its image, gain access to organisations for vocational visits and develop potential membership, whilst at the same time providing an avenue for small business to recognise individual effort.



### Objectives of Pride of Workmanship Awards

- ◇ To promote Vocational Service.
- ◇ To encourage Pride of Workmanship in all vocations.
- ◇ To provide employers with an opportunity to recognise employees who display the qualities worthy of an Award
- ◇ To encourage favourable employer/employee relationships and a sense of community pride in individual achievement.
- ◇ To provide an opportunity for Rotary to be involved in the community, particularly the business community.



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## Nomination Form

Employee Candidates to be nominated by Rotarians, Community members  
and Business owners in the Camden Local Government Area.

**Closing Date: Monday 21st April 2025**

### Pride of Workmanship - Employee Award

NOMINEE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

WORKPLACE: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Position of Employer Referee

\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

One page of relevant supporting documentation can be provided to supplement your nomination. Please provide copies only.  
Completed Nomination Forms and ALL supporting material can be forwarded to:

**Email to Ross Newport:**

[rjapprovals@bigpond.com](mailto:rjapprovals@bigpond.com)

# Help Rotary support flood victims in western Queensland

Dear Mark,

Following record-breaking rainfall, western Queensland is being inundated by the worst floods to hit the region in fifty years, [with more rain forecast](#) for the next few days.

Hundreds of residents have been forced to evacuate, thousands of homes are at risk and [farmers are losing substantial amounts of stock](#), significantly impacting their families and livelihoods.

The full scale of this situation is still unfolding, but it is expected to be severe.

Districts 9620 and 9560 are working together to support impacted communities. They have already appointed a disaster coordinator, conducted an initial needs assessment, and contacted state and local government authorities to collaborate. Addressing mental health issues will likely become a key focus of their efforts following the disaster.

## How you can help

There are two ways you can support these efforts and be sure that the funds will help directly:

Donate to the **District 9560 Disaster Fund Account** (NO tax deductibility, therefore suitable for **club and district donations**, for **immediate funding availability**) - BSB 633000 and Account Number 186414595

and/or

Donate to the **Rotary Foundation Disaster Response Fund** (WITH tax deductibility in Australia, therefore suitable for individuals, in support of the **Disaster Response Grant application** that is being prepared by the districts) - [DONATE HERE](#)

Thank you kindly for your consideration.

Yours in Rotary,

**Andrew Gillespie & Sue Mulraney**  
District Governors  
Rotary International Districts 9560 & 9620

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## Trivia

## Answers

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Tony Abbott

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