



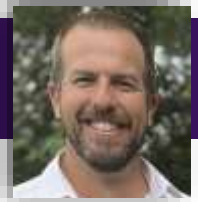
Club President: Andrew Ellis
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District Governor Elect: Shane Burette



Club Bulletin 2nd March 2026

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hi Everyone,

I trust everyone is safe and well.

I was unfortunately absent from the meeting on Monday due to work commitments and wish to acknowledge PP Jacquie Lockyer for taking on the task of chairing and leading the reports and discussions. It is very valuable to have the support of past presidents being willing and able to cover in my absence.

The meeting on Monday did celebrate the activities of the club and again, it is evident of all the activities on-going around the club. Thank you to Greg Eagles for his role as Sargeant at Arms and Rob Elliott for the Toast to the RC of Cork in Ireland. The presentation by Marcus Claxton was sensational in the words of a Rotarian present. The topic of Cyber Safety is highlighted daily in our lives and Marcus' presentation was engaging and informative.



Last Friday, the Palliative Care Garden Team were hard at work and included in the bulletin are some pictorial representations of the team completing important work under the guidance of Ross Newport. This is a significant on-going project of the club.

This Sunday is Lift the Lid Walk at Camden Town Farm. It is certainly not too late to register and show your support for Mental Health Awareness.

Lift the Lid Walk – Click to Register <http://www.liftthelidwalk.com.au/macarthur>

Next week's meeting is Club Assembly. There are a number of important issues to be discussed that impact members and I encourage members to be present to hear reports and seek your input into directions of the Club.

Warm Regards

Andrew

Monday 2nd March at Camden Golf Club



A Rotary Club Assembly is a regular meeting, often held quarterly, where all members gather to discuss club business, review progress on goals, and plan future projects. Led by the president, these assemblies provide an open forum for exchanging ideas, strengthening camaraderie, and ensuring alignment with club objectives.

MACARTHUR, NSW . 2026



LIFT THE LID WALK

PHYSICAL HEALTH FOR MENTAL HEALTH

In our community, no one walks alone 



SUNDAY, 1 MARCH
10 AM - 1 PM



Camden Town Farm
40 Exeter Street, Camden
(bottom end of John Street)



JOIN US

- Support important mental health research
- Help break stigma
- Start conversations
- Connect with local mental health service providers
- Enjoy a community BBQ



REGISTER NOW

\$30 per person
(includes event shirt)

Children under 15
can take part in the
walk for free



100% of your generous
contributions go directly
into Mental Health Research

www.liftthelidwalk.com.au/macarthur



Rotary
Clubs of Macarthur



We are thrilled to join with the clubs around Australia already hosting these amazing events and hold our 2nd LTLW in Macarthur in 2026.

EVENT DETAILS:

When:

Sunday 1st March 2026

Where: Camden Town Farm

What:

A Walk NOT a race

Who:

Everyone who has been impacted by or cares about Mental Health.

Entry fee:

\$30 for adults with everyone receiving an event t-shirt.

Kids 16 and under walk for free. You can purchase t-shirts for kids via the ticket site.

Find out more:

<https://www.liftthelidwalk.com.au/macarthur>



**JOIN US AND HELP
MAKE OUR 2nd YEAR
EVEN BIGGER!**



LOCAL BUSINESS EVENT OPPORTUNITIES



2nd March

Club Assembly

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

9th March

Social Visit to Narellan Hotel

No meeting at Camden Golf Club this week

16th March

The George Centre Private Hospital

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

23rd March

Mark Tutt - CEO Carrington

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

MARCH CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday to our Rotarians:

- ◇ Mike Scarce 19th March

Happy Birthday to our Spouse/Partners:

- ◇ Robin Harricks (Roy Kellaway) 1st March
- ◇ Michele Stanford (Colin Stanzone) 15th March
- ◇ Pauline (Graeme Watson) 24th March

Congratulations to Rotarians and partners on these special anniversaries

- Matt and Sandy Playford 36 years on 3rd March

In March, we recognise Years of Rotary service by:

Bruce Harding 50 years on 1st March

Greg Eagles 38 years on 1st March

In March, we also recognise and acknowledge the year our Honorary members joined Rotary:

Bruce Farquharson Joined Rotary on 1st March 1976



IMPORTANT MEETING INFORMATION

If you are **NOT** attending a meeting, or **to register** your guests, you **MUST** notify the Attendance Committee (Paul)

by email. **No later than midday Friday.**

camdenrotaryattendance@gmail.com



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Rotary District 9675

District Conference 2026

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LET'S UNITE TO CELEBRATE SERVICE, LEADERSHIP, AND THE POWER OF ROTARY

- A day of inspiration, innovation, and impact
- Thought-Provoking Speakers, Global Impact
- Glamorous evening celebrating our achievements, sharing laughter
- Local Spirit
- Scenic Vibes

Let's gather where purpose meets paradise.

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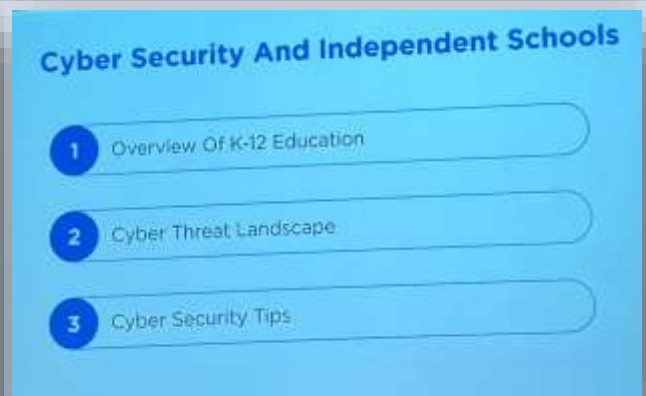
SATURDAY 14TH MARCH 2026

On Monday evening, we welcomed Marcus Claxton

Marcus provided an interesting and eye-opening perspective on being Cybersafe and provided some helpful hints on how to spot fraudulent emails, the importance of strong passwords and phrases, but the tactics of the cyber criminals.

This was very enlightening and also included the measures the education sector are implementing to keep students and schools safe.

guest speaker



To be cyber safe, immediately secure your accounts with strong, unique passphrases and enable multi-factor authentication (MFA).



Vote of thanks by Rotarian Ben Vocalan



The Rotary Club of Camden will be holding a Social Night at the **Narellan Hotel** on **Monday 9th March**.

This is a partner night as well so all are welcome.

No need to book or send apologies. You can order from the menu and enjoy a great night. Gather from 6:30pm in the front lounge area.

Check out the menu at <https://www.narellanhotel.com.au/menu>



These are upcoming events. Important to keep your calendars updated with key programs and activities



1st March 2026

Lift the Lid Walk. Please see the notice in the Bulletin to book in your participation and support.

9th March 2026

Golf Club unavailable so intention is to have an Industry Visit. More information to follow.

14th March 2026

(a) Rotary District 9675 Conference. Aspire to Inspire

Also

(b) Bunnings BBQ at Narellan

20th and 21st March 2026

Camden Show



Our Rotarian 'Toast masters'

March 2: Stephen Humphreys

March 16: Caitlin Binskin (RC Richmond NSW)

March 23: Julie Dean

March 30: Hugh Davies

On the 23rd February, Rotarian Rob Elliott provided an amazing overview of all initiatives and projects undertaken by the Rotary Club of Cork in Ireland



**The 2026 - 2027
Rotary theme**

Palliative Care Garden at Camden Hospital

Working Bee conducted last Friday to undertake important maintenance and ensure this is a peaceful and tranquil setting for the patients at Camden Hospital.

Well done to the team of hard-working Rotarians (Ken Macaulay, Peter Riordan, Stephen Humphreys, Hugh Davies, Colin Stanzione and Ross Newport) completing all this work in under two hours.



WANTED

Next Bunnings BBQ

Saturday 14th March

3 shifts needed

8:30am x 5 People

11:00am x 5 People

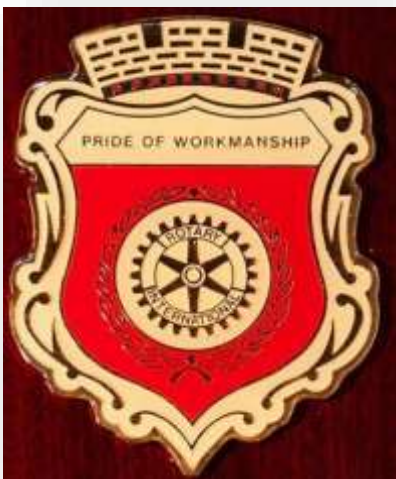
1:30pm x 5 People

Please add your name to
email from Chris Evans



Fr Rick McCann has moved into the Anglicare Retirement Village at Oran Park. A mate and I visited him last Friday. He is in full time care, uses a walking frame and was lucid. I have to say that PP Geoff Fowler and his wife, Ev, have given him great support, having Power of Attorney and Power of Enduring Guardianship. Rick would have been in all sorts of trouble without their support and assistance.

Our Honorary Member, Richard Cornhill, has been admitted to Campbelltown Hospital suffering from pneumonia and associated side effects. He is quite unwell and would welcome members, past and present, contacting him.



**Pride in Workmanship Awards are coming
in May**

**Start thinking about who you could nomi-
nate!!!!**

**Nomination forms coming in upcoming
Bulletins.**



Rotary International was founded on February 23, 1905, in Chicago, USA, by attorney Paul Harris and three business acquaintances, making February 23 the official "Rotary Birthday" and World Understanding and Peace Day.

Clubs worldwide celebrate this day and the month of February with service projects.

Let us take time for a Camden 'Friendly FIKA'. Make time for family, friends and rotary colleagues to share a cuppa and chat.

We have had Walking, Sleeping and EATING for MENTAL HEALTH. With the Lift the Lid walk this Sunday and as you prepare for the big event, take time to do some research into the importance of being active.

This week, I am starting your research with some interesting perspectives on the work of Rotary in this area.

Rotary has a remarkable record when it comes to health initiatives. We've helped bring polio to the brink of eradication, and clubs have carried out myriad projects focused on preventing disease and supporting maternal and child health. Now the global pandemic has brought attention to another aspect of health that is often overlooked: mental health. In many places, depression, anxiety, and suicide are seen as things to be ashamed of and kept quiet. But Rotary members are recognizing the gaps in understanding and resources and are stepping up to help.

"A year ago, we had 50 members of the Rotary Action Group on Mental Health Initiatives," says Bonnie Black, a member of the Rotary Club of Plattsburgh, New York, and the chair of the action group. "We've tripled our membership during the pandemic, and I believe it's due to the heightened awareness of mental health and wellness."

More than 264 million people worldwide are affected by depression, according to the World Health Organization, and although many mental health conditions can be effectively treated at relatively low cost, many people who need treatment do not receive it. Mental health is an area that has been neglected by many people for too long because of the stigma associated with it. The involvement of Rotary clubs will gradually reduce the stigma, and more and more people will begin to be comfortable around the issue.

Over to you Reflect and see you Sunday at the Lift the Lid Walk for Mental Health.

Happy chatting folks!!!!!!





The Rotary theme for March is Water and Sanitation month

This focuses on:

March is designated as Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Month in the Rotary calendar. This month emphasizes Rotary's commitment to improving health by launching projects that provide sustainable clean water, sanitation, and hygiene education to communities worldwide, as well as fighting waterborne diseases.

Key Aspects of WASH Month:

- **Focus Area:** It is one of Rotary's six core areas of focus.
- **Project Goals:** Projects aim to decrease waterborne illnesses, improve school attendance for children, and reduce time spent by families collecting water.
- **Actions:** Rotarians work on installing, managing, and maintaining sustainable water and sanitation infrastructure.
- **Partnerships:** Rotary often collaborates with organizations like USAID for large-scale solutions.

Clean water, sanitation, and hygiene education are basic necessities for a healthy environment and a productive life.

When people have access to clean water and sanitation, waterborne diseases decrease, children stay healthier and attend school more regularly, and mothers can spend less time carrying water and more time helping their families.

How Rotary makes help happen

Through water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) programs, Rotary's people of action mobilize resources, form partnerships, and invest in infrastructure and training that yield long-term change.

Rotary clubs partnered with local organizations to install a rainwater harvesting and distribution center for 4,000 people in Papua New Guinea. They also delivered training programs for women in the community and students in 35 schools.

Rotary clubs in Guatemala improved conditions for as many as 1,793 children in 10 schools in the town of Escuintla by providing toilets, washing stations, water tanks, and training

A dozen Rotary clubs collaborated with local partners to establish a water supply and delivery system for 1,500 people in the village of Kigogo, Tanzania. They also taught the community how to maintain the systems and provided hygiene education.

Rotary clubs and partners built 222 toilets, six rainwater collectors, seven communal handwashing stations, and 20 biosand filters. The project provided more than 1,000 people with access to proper toilet facilities and almost 600 people with a regular supply of clean water.

All 24 of Lebanon's Rotary clubs came together — overcoming religious, cultural, and political divisions — to form partnerships with the government, World Vision, UNICEF, and the Red Cross. Together the groups developed a program that delivers clean water to every public school in the country.

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When: Wed April 29th, 2026 8:15am start

Breakfast from 7:15am

Where: Lakeside Golf Club, Camden

Sponsorship opportunities available at various levels!!