

16th September 2021

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### PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Dear Members & Friends,

What a beautiful time of the year Spring is! So many stunning flowers to brighten our days. It's a great time to get back into our garden, planting flowers and vegetables and also to take our mind off all the things that we can't do at the moment. However, there have been positives lately that we will soon be able to start enjoying things we want and need to do as well as having something to look forward to again.

Unfortunately, due to a fall, smashing my right wrist and then spending time in hospital, sadly I missed our guest speaker last week Sue Lennox, Principal of St Patricks College for Girls at Campbelltown. I believe, via feedback, Sue's presentation was very well received and extremely informative.

We do have another great speaker this week, Dr Bruce Christie, who is the Chair of the Centre for Invasive Species Solutions. Please join in to hear what I think will be a very interesting and different subject presentation. Another great opportunity to invite a guest.

This week, as President, I will have the pleasure of inducting a new member, Denise Tsoukalas. Thank you to our Membership Director, David Binskin, for your enthusiastic work on Membership in this challenging new Rotary year.

Last weekend I tuned into the Zone 8 Conference to hear many inspiring speakers, learn about other Clubs in our Zone and how Rotary worldwide has been coping during these times. Though my preference would have been to attend in person in Melbourne, technology allowed many to enjoy this Conference and catch up with Rotary friends from other parts of the world.

Stay safe and well everyone and don't forget to keep in touch with family and friends. See you all on Zoom.  
Yours in Rotary, Judith

### THIS WEEK – VIA ZOOM

Dr. Bruce Christie

Chair "Centre for Invasive Species Solutions"



Our guest speaker next week is Dr Bruce Christie, the Chair of the Centre for Invasive Species Solutions.

The Centre for Invasive Species Solutions brings together government, industry and research partners to develop coordinated and collaborative RD&E portfolios and innovation pipelines that meet national invasive species challenges.

Feral animals and invasive plants, fish and birds cost Australia billions of dollars in management and lost production. They also impose a heavy burden on the environment. Bruce's presentation should be very interesting.



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INVASIVE SPECIES SOLUTIONS

## Upcoming Events

Bruce Christie - "Centre for Invasive Species"

Zoom

Sep 16, 2021

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Bruce Bell - "Around the World on Expenses"

Zoom

Sep 23, 2021

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

DGN Tonia Barnes - ROMAC

Zoom

Sep 30, 2021

6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Greg Ross - Past Chairman Australian Rotary Health

Zoom

Oct 07, 2021

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Lift The Lid On Mental Health Day

Oct 10, 2021

An Evening with Tony Abbott

TBA

Oct 21, 2021

6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Mike Greenslade CEO

Shelterbox Australia

Zoom

Oct 28, 2021

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM



### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88588727748>

Meeting ID: 885 8872 7748

Passcode: 134003



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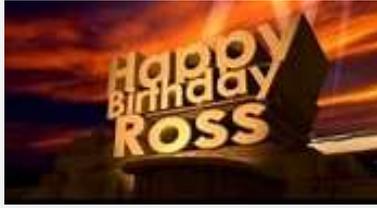
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## SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS



Ross Newport 17<sup>th</sup> September



Paul & Jacquie Lockyer 16<sup>th</sup> September 26 years

## PHOTOS FROM LAST WEEK



Happy 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Errol

## LAST WEEK

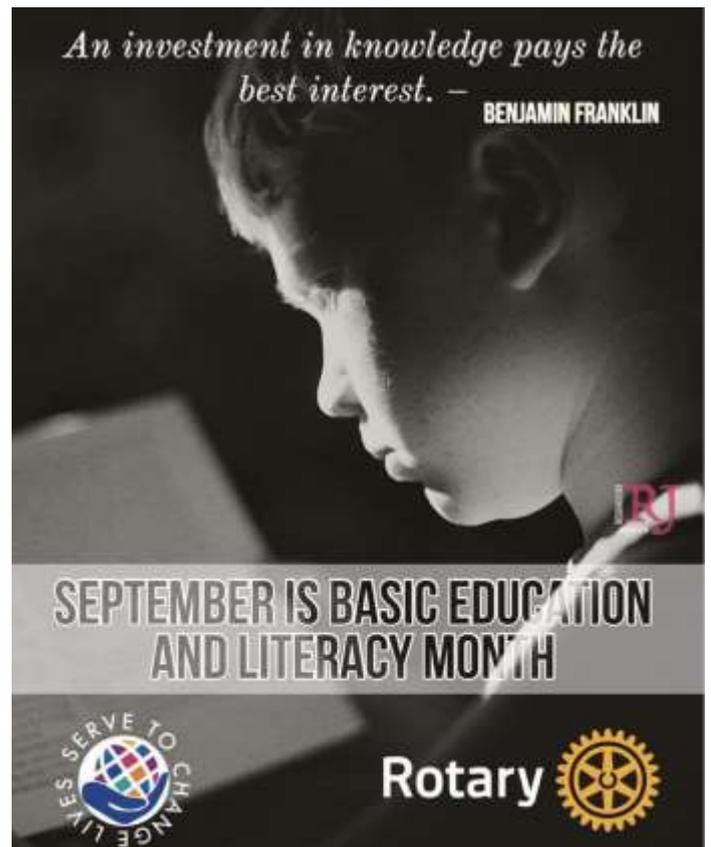
**SUE LENNOX** - PRINCIPAL ST. PATRICKS COLLEGE for GIRLS  
"Empowering Young Women in Macarthur"



Our guest speaker last week was Sue Lennox, the Principal of St Patrick's College for Girls. Sue has a very strong background in girls' education having spent 30 years of her 40 year career teaching in all girls' schools.

St Patrick's College was established in 1840 and is the first school built by private enterprise in NSW.

Sue believes we need to empower girls to become the young women they dream to become. St Pats is the only all-girls college in the Macarthur area where the learning experiences, opportunities and resources are structured so girls can grow into confident young women. The girls have access to a wide range of opportunities and experiences and are encouraged to participate based on their interest, skill and passion for the opportunities, while being free of the gender biases and limitations that can be present in the co-educational environment.





Time: Sep 19, 2021 2.00 PM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83168314339>

Meeting ID: 831 6831 4339

Passcode: 911068



### **"Shaping Rotary's Future"**

At the Zone 8 Virtual Conference on Sunday Past RI President Barry Rassin announced that our Zone would be a pilot study for "Shaping Rotary's Future".

The Zone Pilot Strategy in Australia/ New Zealand/ Pacific Islands/ New Guinea and Timor Leste will confirm the wider regionalisation structure for Rotary throughout the world.

This Pilot Study will change the roles of District Governors and Assistant Governors whereby Governors will move to sectional leadership roles and Assistant Governors will have wider leadership roles for groups of 15-20 or so clubs rather than just being a link to the District Governor. This is expected to be a "change management" issue through 2022-2034.

If the pilot goes ahead under the current timeline a fully functional Regional Council will be in place and operating from 1 July 2024. An interim regional council managed by the currently elected District Governors Nominee will operate during the lead up year (2023-2034) as part of their responsibilities at the time. The Regional Council will be an elected body with members being in the position for 3 years.

The Sectional Leadership Group will be elected and will be required for a 4-year term....2 years in preparation and 2 years actually as full members.

Some current District administration, grant management, membership, dues collection, insurance, international reporting, media contacts and national entity functions will be transferred to the regional level to release Districts from the current operations requiring the leadership attention.



**"If you have dreams, it is our responsibility to make them happen" – RI President Elect Jennifer Jones**