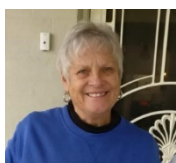


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ROB'S REFLECTIONS



I don't know about you but this year is going way too quickly!

On Thursday we are lucky to have David Brawn Chair of the new Environment District Committee to outline the plans for this portfolio in our District.

For our Environment focus, Haida, Josh and Liv are looking at what ongoing project we may support and also we have the opportunity of building a Peace Garden at the Moss Vale Public School. Their Peace Pole has been ordered and will feature in this garden. The Principal Katherine is working with local aboriginal groups at present to incorporate and indigenous garden into it.

Please note that the Learning and Development Seminars are coming up in May and I would love to see if we can get a full club attendance. Pick the one that suits you best: Goulburn or Parkes.

Tuggeranong also were looking at volunteers (about 6) to assist them with their Election BBQ – we now know that this will be on the 21st May. If you are able to assist please let me know.

Rob

Date	Guest speaker	Topic
14 th April	David Brawn	District Chair - Our new focus The Environment
16 th April	Bunmings BBQ	Majura
28 th April	Rob Woolley	Our Charity The Foundation Why we should support it!
12 th May	Dr Sam Brophy	Global Scholar
2 nd July 2022	District Changeover (Geraldine's)	Mittagong RSL
25 th June 2022	Our Changeover Save the date!	Raiders Club Holt ACT

GUEST SPEAKER – DAVID BRAWN

DISTRICT CHAIR – ENVIRONMENT

David has been a member of Rotary for



about 22 years, joining the Rotary Club of Sydney CBD in 1999 and becoming its President in 2003/4. He became the District

Governor of the then D.9750 (now D.9675) in 2010/11.

His wife Suzanne (Campbell) joined the Rotary Club of Sydney Cove in 1999 as well and became its President soon after joining. She later became the District

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Rotary Foundation Chair in my year as DG and then DGN for a while until she got a job that made a DG role impossible. Suzanne presented to your Club about her new online community space booking service www.vennu.com.au last year.

Suzanne and David moved to Berry in late 2010 (halfway through David's DG year) and he joined Berry Rotary Club within the then D.9710. He was Treasurer for the Berry Club for a period of three years.

Personal background, including vocation

David was born in England in 1945 and came to Australia in the mid '70s and is now an Australian citizen.

He gained a first-class honours BSc degree in Physics and Maths from London University in 1966 and then a master's degree in Business Studies from the London Business School in 1968.

He worked in corporate life in marketing and general management from leaving the London Business School until retirement from Telstra in 2005. He worked in Rank Bush Murphy (consumer electronics), Rank Xerox (office equipment) and OTC/Telstra (telecommunications).

Reason for joining the District Environmental Envoy Team:

David gained a passion for the environment working as a volunteer guide at the Australian Museum in Sydney around 2008 and then, after completing his DG year, he undertook six years of postgraduate education as an external student at

Murdoch University gaining a Graduate Diploma and Master's degree in environmental science.

He was invited to establish a District Environmental Team in March 2021 by DG Michael Moore to encourage clubs to embrace the new Rotary Area of Focus of "Protecting the Environment" and to help clubs initiate worthwhile and satisfying environmental projects. The District Team is now called the Environmental Envoy team recognising its outreach mission to help clubs. There are 17 Envoys from around District 9705.



OUR NEW MEMBER – ISAAC GRAHAM-HICKMAN



Hi there everyone, I am Isaac your new club member! I am from sunny Jervis Bay and have lived by the sand my entire life except for my Rotary Exchange year in Finland back in 2018. I was sponsored

by the Rotary Club of Nowra and remain close friends many of the members and occasionally help out with their fundraisers. My exchange year was my introduction to Rotary and the values of Rotary. I see within myself and want to

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work as a part of our Rotary Club to make a difference. During my exchange year it was a challenging time period, but through it I learnt resilience, patience and the importance of kindness and gratitude above all else

As a person, I love the outdoors and adventures. In particular, I do quite a lot of hiking and love nothing more than losing myself in the hillside. I also love to experiment with different things in the kitchen which I love doing this with my beloved husband who is also a chef. In my free time apart from cooking and hiking I love to research Indian History and at the moment am learning Hindi to help further my research and as a personal hobby. I am also studying at Curtin University through their online programs to become a high school geography teacher whilst also working at Liquorland.

As a club member I hope to engage with my community and aim to help as many people as possible. In particular, I look forward to engaging with different people and hope to be able to touch and make a difference in as many places as possible no matter how small. I look forward to engaging with you all and building relationships in our club, my community and in Rotary. Thank you all very much for your warm welcome into the Rotary E-club of Brindabella and I look forward to working with you all.

Isaac

ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE



Finnish-Estonian Multidistrict
Rotary District 1420 Long Term Program
Exchange Student Application, 2022-23

Name: Joni Samuel RAINESALO



Exciting news for our Club as we will be hosting our very first Inbound Youth Exchange student.

Joni Rainesalo is from Finland and we will share the hosting with the Rotary Club of Canberra. We have been able to undertake this as we have Haida and Sally both who will host Joni. So, Canberra will host him initially then Sally – then Haida after her son Sebastian who will be our Outbound student, leaves for his year overseas. Then Canberra will host Joni again before he leaves for home.

Joni has been enrolled in Burgmann Anglican College.

All members are encouraged to consider inviting Joni to join them on any outings, holidays or events whilst he is here. He is not on holiday but here as a member of the family. The only consideration is that it fits in with his schooling and does not clash with his mandatory Rotary events which includes the District Conference.

Did you notice that most of the proper household cleaning agents are Mr Min, Mr Muscle, Mr Sheen, Mr Clean.....and women are complaining that men don't help around the house 🤔

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CLUB LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT SEMINARS

There will be two seminars, one in Goulburn and one in Parkes to cover the size of this District of ours.

These Seminars are **NOT** just for the Board but for all Club members. I encourage you all to try and attend one of them! The days are designed to not only increase your knowledge about Rotary and how to contribute and participate in your Club but also about fun and camaraderie. If you do have a role you will learn more about your role and how to undertake that role to the best of your ability. The program will cover things like Membership, how to be an effective Treasurer or Secretary, teach you about our amazing Foundation – one of the best charities in the world. It will open your eyes how this works so effectively on all levels – Club, nationally and internationally. It will teach you about Rotary's amazing youth programs: RYLA, RYPEN, Youth exchange etc. There will be sessions on how to be an effective leader – this will assist you at work, in your Rotary Club or even socially! How to elad is a skill and CAN be learnt!

PLEASE put the date that suits you best aside in your Calendar and plan to attend! Share the travelling with someone else and increase the fun!

DATE	TOWN	VENUE
14 th May	Goulburn	Goulburn Soldiers Club
21 ST May	Parkes	Parkes Leagues Club

REGISTRATION will be available shortly on the District Web Page.



CONGRATULATIONS!

To Grammy Lindell!



Lindell's daughter Steph gave birth to Zephyrus Leo McBale on the 6th April.