

ANNUAL REPORT 2016 - 2017



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It has been an honour serving as President of our wonderful club during 2016-17, and I thank you for giving me the opportunity. I have enjoyed the year and together we have achieved a lot, both for our local community and overseas.

The International theme for the Rotary Year was "Rotary Serving Humanity", which featured strongly in the club's 2016-17 Strategic Plan with our stated Mission being to "provide service to others within our community and overseas; promote integrity, and advance goodwill through our fellowship".

The year commenced with a major challenge not only for our club, but at various levels to all clubs throughout Australia and indeed the world. At its 2016 Council on Legislation, Rotary International introduced what has been recognised as ground-breaking and fundamental changes to the running of Rotary Clubs. These changes were seen as essential to promote Rotary as "moving with the times". The opportunity was made available for individual clubs to choose what suited them best in regard to attendance requirements and the structure of meetings.

Our club accepted the need for change, and we systematically worked our way through the many questions and issues presented to us. Unanimous agreement was reached that we would retain our weekly meetings but introduce greater flexibility on both timing and content. This has proved to be very successful, with an increase in social events and vocational visits all contributing to a varied program.

We have also relaxed attendance requirements, which has not unexpectedly reduced regular attendance by all members at all meetings.

It is important to acknowledge that while the focus has moved from the former demanding expectation to attend all meetings to a requirement where members can serve and enjoy being a Rotarian to fit in with their personal circumstances, it is essential for the future survival of our club that members are still prepared to take on responsible positions for a period of time.

One of the many positive features of being President is that I had the opportunity to understand better what is important to our members. I became very much aware of the need for improved communication within the club, and introduced a weekly newsletter to keep members informed. Feedback on this has been very gratifying and it has been a worthwhile and rewarding exercise.

There have been many highlights during the year, but to me the following inaugural events were of particular note:

- Having a Signature Project helping and supporting students at Victor Harbor High's Flexible Learning Options, managed by Vocational Director Alan Kluske. On completion of the successful project the personal feedback from participating students was heartwarming and rewarding for our club.
- The Information Night held in November organised by Peter Manuel, with assistance from Shirley Sunter. As well as increasing awareness of the enormous and varied contribution made by Rotary International throughout the world and by our club locally, it was a most enjoyable evening of good fellowship and good food.
- The club jointly staging with the RCVH the first Victor Harbor Rotary Christmas Pageant – certainly the best ever! Thanks to Ken Carter.

- The "Reconnect with Rotary" meeting where we had twenty previous members and partners join us for a fun evening catching up with Rotarians past and present.
 Thank you to Club Director Peter Francis for organising.
- Our final meeting was the perfect way to end a successful year with the "Pride of Workmanship" Awards to worthy and proud recipients. Another winning contribution from Vocational Director Alan Kluske.

In addition to the above "first-ever" events, the following have also contributed to our varied and successful year:

- The Community Grants Distribution evening.
- Our many vocational visits. All were interesting and a great success. Special thanks to organiser Alan Kluske.
- The 6th consecutive success of the annual Rotary Youth Driving Awareness program organised by Bob McFarland, with a total to date of 1245 students having participated in the program.
- Our first ever "Annual Lifestyle Raffle" with so many members contributing their time and effort.
- Two very successful Wally Bradley Quiz Nights. Thanks Ken Carter and Mike Kelly.
- The continuing success of our Goolwa and Port Elliot Community Markets. Special thanks to Deidre Hughes. Also the fundraising efforts of our "Bunnings Team" organised by Bob McFarland.
- Receiving a District Grant for the Haiti Literacy Project well done Peter Manuel.

Further details on all these events and achievements can be seen in the Service Directors' individual Reports.

Membership continues to be a priority focus and during the year we have welcomed five new members. The Information Night contributed greatly to encouraging interest in our club and how it works. Peter Manuel has worked hard all year as Membership Officer and I appreciate all that he has done. Shirley Sunter has helped immensely behind the scenes with promotions and marketing and we are very grateful for her input.

We were very saddened to lose long-term member, Don Kennett, who passed away on 2nd October 2016 from complications following a very bad fall at his home. Don has been missed by us all.

I sincerely thank all Board members for their unhesitating support and advice. I have indeed been fortunate to have such a wealth of experience working with me.

There are too many members to thank individually, so it is an all-encompassing "thank-you" to everyone and particularly those members who have quietly worked every week to ensure our meetings run smoothly.

Finally I wish to thank my husband Phil for his support and understanding and the interest shown by our three children, all of whom were able to attend what now seems only yesterday when I was inducted as President.

It has been a privilege to serve as President and I wish President Elect Barrey Niven the very best for the coming year.

Marilyn Shaw

President 2016-17





Mike Kelly

Our Club has again had a very successful year, thanks mainly to the Markets Team, but let us not forget the efforts of the Lifestyle Raffle team. Also easily overlooked would be the funds quietly accumulated by Bob McFarland and his Bunnings BBQ team.

We will have approximately \$75,000 of Quarantined funds to distribute in the New Year which will require some debate by members. Remember, we are not in the banking business and this money needs to be spent and put to good use in the local and global communities.

One of the challenges next year will be member subscription costs, with the ever increasing costs from Rotary District and Rotary International. This year subscriptions were \$170 but the overheads to the club were \$201 per member.

Income and Profit & Loss for Major Projects

Life Style Raffle	Income	8047
	Expenditure	3691
	Profit/Loss	\$4,356
Markets	Income (1 Market Round remaining)	79575
	Expenditure	12055
	Profit/Loss	\$67,520
Haiti Literacy Project	Income (District Grant)	2283
	Expenditure	6138
	Profit/Loss	-\$3,855
RYDA Project	Income	4781
	Plus COVH Grant received 2015-16	1250
	Expenditure	7592
	Profit/Loss	-\$1,561
Bunnings BBQ's	Nett Profit	\$2,211
Virgin Fundraising	Craft Sales	1500
	International Night (Nett Profit)	980
	Total	\$2,480

Donations and support given this year >=\$500

TOTAL		\$69,981	\$69,98
this year.			
& Major Projects			
Outstanding Oonations Trainee Awards Scheme (2015-2016)		525	525
	(2015-16)	/35	735
General Account	F.L.O. Unit (Silver Bowl Donation	735	725
	RYDA	7592	11589
	NYSF	3097	
Youth Service	Academic Achievement Awards	900	
	Trainee Award Scheme (Winner Exp.)	880	7880
Vocational Service	VHHS FLO Unit	7000	
	(Includes Virgin Fundraising)		
	New Life Africa International	8000	10000
International	Disaster Aid Aust Haiti	2000	
	Victor Harbor Yacht Club Dinghy	1500	25514
	Victor Harbor City Band Polos	3174	
	S.F. Historical Museum Brochures	500	
	Rotary Foundation	5000	
	Red Shield Appeal	500	
	Rotary Club of Goolwa Art Show	1000	
	Middleton Community Notice Board	1078	
	Joe Barton Bust	1500	
	Fleurieu Cancer Support Foundation	6500	
-	Victor Harbor Christmas Pageant	2682	
Community Service	Australian Rotary Health	2080	
Club Service	(Community Grants Distribution)	13389	13389
	Market Funds		

Mike Kelly

Treasurer





Peter Francis

While in many respects, it has been business as usual there have been a number of significant matters which differentiate this Rotary Year. Highlights include:

- Another successful year whereby the Market Team led by Deidre
 Hughes and Jenny Whitnall have put in an enormous effort that has
 meant that the Club has a regular and significant income stream that
 has ensured that we have substantial funds in the coffers.
- Shirley Sunter, President Marilyn and President Elect Barrey together with club members planning to put the Market Management on a different footing for the new Rotary year.
- More than \$15,000 distributed to local community organisations.
- New by-laws being adopted.
- The long-standing boat raffle being replaced by a new Life-style raffle.
- Ken Buckley stepping in again as Sergeant when Pam Emmett was unavailable, with both providing excellent amusement for us all. Bob Hall's occasional performances are also appreciated.
- Membership Officer Peter Manual leading the holding of a successful Rotary Information Night.
- Chair hire/supply providing an important service to a number of

organisations to assist with community events and bringing in over \$500.

- Rotarian Shirley Sunter promoting Rotary at every opportunity and John Haynes and Bob Sedunary effectively managing our web-site and social media respectively.
- After considerable discussion and investigation, moving our meetings from EAT to the McCracken Country Club.
- Hosting a convivial Re-connect with Rotary evening. Over twenty past members and partners attended a buffet dinner, with uninvited guest Bert Flushbucket providing an amusing rendition of his most recent poetic reminiscences of the club and Rotarians, past and present.
- Catering Officer Brenton Abbott with Attendance Officers Bruce Brocklebank, Ian Riches and Des Schirmer provided excellent liaison between members and, venues and caterers.
- A number of our members providing comfort and support to other grieving Rotarians and spouses.

There are undoubtedly many other items that individual Rotarians may choose to focus upon and which I have neglected to mention. For that I apologise and hope that others may have made mention of them.

I would like to conclude by thanking members of the Club Service Committee and fellow Directors for their work and support, congratulate President Marilyn for her successful leadership, dedication and hard work and wish President Elect Barrey and the new Board best wishes for the forth-coming Rotary year.

Peter Francis
Director - Club Service





Alan Kluske

The Vocational Committee has had quite a busy year with four Vocational meetings and one social meeting at a private car museum, two Vocational talks from club members and culminating with the presentation of three "Pride of Workmanship Awards".

With the relaxing of Rotary International rules on meeting frequencies, this gave us the opportunity to have more time away from our formal meetings, and gave us a better opportunity to arrange Vocational meetings which are more social than our formal meetings.

We had our first Vocational visit to the Westpac Bank in Ocean St on the 1st of September. We were shown the recently refurbished premises and the new age way of banking. We then transferred to the Hotel Grosvenor for our meal to complete our vocational meeting. Our members gave the meeting a favourable thumbs-up which was encouraging.

Our second vocational visit was to the Victor Harbor Private Hospital. Our member Mike Ryan showed us all the renovations that have been made to our local hospital. The main areas of improvement include the new gymnasium for patient rehabilitation, new facilities for visiting specialists, the safe children's area, and better staff facilities. Mike showed great passion and enthusiasm for both his job and the hospital upgrades. Thanks Mike.

The visit to the Newbold's "Private Car Museum" was not really a vocational visit, more of a social meeting. This was organised between President Marilyn and the Vocational Committee. It was a nice casual night, followed by a BBQ at President Marilyn and Philip Shaw's home with some visitors present. Who knows they could become members! In March our third Vocational visit was to the Port Elliot Surf Life Saving Club. Thanks to PP Peter Francis for his help in organising the evening.

Peter has been President of PESLSC for the last five years. We were shown through the club and had explained to us what members have to do to gain their Bronze Certificates so they can do patrols. Members can then advance to Inflatable Rubber Boat (IRB) crew, or IRB Driver (Silver Medal), plus more advanced First Aid and many other certificates they wish to complete.

Our last Vocational meeting was to SA Design and Print. A local business that does printing and design work for our club. Geoff McRostie, owner and staff member (designer) Tod McMahon took us through the latest in print and design and had several machines running so we could watch the process. It is great to see that we have a business like this in our town supplying customers from as far away as Kingston SE, to Whyalla. Well done Geoff.

We also had two Vocational presentations from two of our own club members Phil Beckett and Norm Shaw, and what a great meeting it was. To be walked through their childhood and then on to their working lives. Both members had very interesting stories to tell. To me it was one of our best meetings for the year, and only goes to show how much talent we have in our own members.

Victor Harbor High Schools Flexible Learning Options (FLO) is part of Vocational Service/ Youth Service, and President Marilyn was looking for a Signature Project for the year that combined helping local youth and young adults gain a better education, FLO seemed to be the perfect answer. Jenny Vonic-Joyce and Will Dobud gave a presentation of a Wilderness Trip Will had been doing in America with great success, and was keen to try it in Australia. As a result of their presentation, the Vocational Committee proposed a budget of \$6000.00 be made. This was accepted by the board and members. The trip was a great success, on their return home the students gave a presentation, and to see the self belief and confidence they gained was amazing. It can only be said it was money worth spending. Following the donation of the \$6,000 by the club, Beth Kennett donated \$1,000 to FLO on behalf of her late husband Don Kennett who was a member of our club and strongly believed in giving young people a helping hand whenever possible.

To finish the year our committee decided to participate in the "Pride of Workmanship" program and give three awards. The well deserved recipients were from Betta Home Living: Chris Moss, South Coast Construction: Paul Spencer, and from Encounter Coast Homes: Mathew Allen. Well done to the winners, and their respective employers for participating.

I would like to give special thanks to President Marilyn and the Vocational Committee for the support they have given me throughout the year.

Alan Kluske
Director - Vocational Service





Ken Carter

It has been another busy year for the Rotary Club of Encounter Bay in the field of community service. As well as 'Hands On' projects such as helping set up and marshal the Victor Harbor and Franklin Island Triathlons, tree planting at Kent Reserve (please refer to environmental report below), manning the barbecue at the Rock and Roll Festival and marshalling the roads for the Tour Down Under, this year we worked with the Rotary Club of Victor Harbor to present the 2016 Victor Harbor Christmas Pageant. This involved some financial support and lots of planning meetings before the big day when our club was in charge of marshalling the floats at the start of the parade and also taking vital roles in traffic control on Hindmarsh Road and Torrens Street. The event went off very well thanks to the support of both clubs and gave a chance to promote Rotary. We are looking forward to another great pageant this year.

We have also been able to support several local organisations. The Middleton Town and Foreshore Association were very pleased to have our support in erecting a new sign in the town and this now stands proudly on the main road through Middleton. Our sponsorship is clearly shown and it is an excellent site for our market signs. We have supported the Port Elliot Town and Foreshore Committee by becoming a gold sponsor for their annual Carols Evening and also by making a substantial donation towards the proposed bust of former Port Elliot identity, Joe Barton. We have kept in close liaison with the Victor Harbor Men's Shed and look forward to further assisting their plans for the new shed which is currently in the final stages of planning. The Southern Historical Museum has also received funding from our club to reprint their promotional pamphlets and we are currently in conversation with the Women's and Children's Hospital Foundation about the role

that the club may play in the building and equipping a respite care Beach House at Encounter Lakes. We were also able to support the Fleurieu Cancer Support Foundation to fund a new computer system that they will use primarily for their transport rostering.

We have also continued working with the Fleurieu Community Foundation to present the Wally Bradley Award which was established to support young people in Victor Harbor aged 16-19 years who show initiative and commitment in their field of education or training but who may be experiencing difficulty in continuing their studies, or accessing other education or training, due to hardship or disadvantage. In 2016 we presented the award to Kate Fulton. Our Quiz Night for the Wally Bradley Cup this year was a huge success, with a sell-out crowd and a record amount of well over \$2000 raised for the Wally Bradley Award account.

I would like to thank the members of the Community Service Committee for their support this year and also to President Marilyn for having confidence in me to look after this portfolio. I wish the club all the best for next year and look forward to working with our new President Barrey in 2017/18.

Ken Carter Director - Community Service

Environment Report from Brian Rodan – Leader 2016-17

Twelve Encounter Bay Rotarians managed to plant around 400 native coastal shrubs on the sand dunes on the fringe of Kent Reserve on a sunny day in late July, early in this Rotary year as part of αn ongoing tree planting program. Victor Harbor Council continues to give support by providing the plants and tree guards, digging the holes, and providing mentoring on the day. The Encounter Bay Rotary Club has, for many years, been involved in tree planting activities. The present program, 2010-2016, has resulted in the planting of over 2000 trees and shrubs around the Encounter Bay area.





Brenton Abbott

This is my last report for the Rotary Year, and I would like to thank my committee members, David Virgin, Colin Wormald, Fred Angus & Alan Mullins for their support during the year.

I started the year off a couple of months into this Rotary year when Marilyn ask me to take over after the resignation of the International Director.

Earlier on the club decided on a literacy project for Haiti and Peter Manuel wrote a submission to Rotary International for a District Grant and on the 22nd September we received confirmation that we had been successful in our submission to the sum of \$2,283. The project submitted was to produce 500 books that would be translated into Haitian Creole together with English and sent to Haiti where our contact Dr Sarah Mansbach would distribute the books via her team to 41 schools. A few weeks after receiving the grant Haiti was hit by Hurricane Mathew which wiped out all remaining stocks of books written in Creole and Dr Sarah Mansbach requested that we increase the project from 500 books to 1,000. It was then decided by the Board that we would send 750 books and the next hurdle was to find a freight company that would deliver to Haiti. After a lot of investigation Peter Manual found that Australia Post was the most cost effective. The total project cost \$6137.87 including freight and after allowing for \$2,283 Grant our net cost was \$3854.87 would personally like to thank Peter Manual for the significant time he has put into this project as without him it would never have got off the ground.

The second project for the year was a donation to Disaster Aid for \$2000 to go towards the Haiti Hurricane relief effort. Haiti had still been trying to recover from the 2010 Earthquake where up to 300,000 people lost their lives and a significant number where homeless. On the 3rd & 4th

October Hurricane Matthew hit Haiti with catastrophic flooding of up to 40 inches and storm surge of up to 10 feet. At least 580 people were killed and more than 35,000 left homeless by the storm.

The annual International Night was held again at David and Janice Virgin's house and again a very enjoyable night was had by all with nearly \$1000 being raised on the night. Janice's Nakuru craft group again had a stall at the Port Elliott Market in December and together with sales during the year raised \$1500. The Club has contributed to the amounts raised and presented a cheque for \$8000 to David to go towards fitting out the new kitchen in the boys' house at the orphanage. The Building is progressing well with the 3rd level almost complete.

Brenton Abbott
Director - International Service





Bob McFarland

I have enjoyed my year as the Director of this portfolio and would like to thank President Marilyn for the advice and support she has given me. I would also like to thank the members of the committee for their help and involvement, and all the club members who have supported the various programs we have conducted.

Long Term Youth Exchange

At the commencement of the year we interviewed and recommended a young female student for the LTYE, she was accepted by the District Committee and was scheduled to travel to Sweden, but unfortunately Sweden became unavailable and she was offered Finland. She was unhappy with this option but at the last minute decided to go. Half way through her year abroad she misbehaved and was sent home. We have tried on many occasions to contact her to no avail. This unexpected outcome was of course very disappointing for the club.

Rotary Youth Driver Awareness

This is a program that our club, in association with the Rotary Clubs of Victor Harbor, Goolwa and Yankalilla, has conducted for the past five years. It was conducted over two days in September and involved 253 students from the Victor Harbor High School, Investigator College, Mt Compass Area School, The Encounter Lutheran College, Yankalilla Area School and students from Flexible learning Options (FLO). To date we have had 1000 local students attend the program and this year we are catering for 260. My thanks go to the club for supporting the event and to the members who assist. I would also like to acknowledge the local driving instructors, police and Paul who attends as a "Crash Survivor" and presents a powerful message.

National Youth Science Forum

We interviewed two local students and recommended them to the District Selection Committee. Of the two, one was successful and attended the Forum, while the other was ranked 19th and as only 18 are selected to attend from South Australia she was designated a reserve but unfortunately did not attend.

Conoco Phillips Science Experience

This program is a three day, hands on, practical experience conducted in early December at the three SA Universities. We interviewed and sponsored two Victor Harbor High School students to attend the event at the University of South Australia. They spoke to the club in February and judging from their enthusiasm they gained a lot from the experience.

Victor Harbor High School

During the year members of the club have been involved in the Mock Interviews conducted by the school alongside other members of the community, and have assisted with the assessment of projects presented by students for their Individual Personal Projects. I would like to thank all of our members who were involved in these excellent programs.

Fund Raiser

We have had the opportunity to conduct three "Sausage Sizzles" at Bunnings Seaford and with the assistance of Alan Mullins, Bob Sedunary, Ken Carter, Des Schirmer and Madeleine Jenkins we have added \$2211.12 to our bank Account.

We also received a Community Grant of \$1250 from The City of Victor Harbor to assist with RYDA.

I wish incoming President Barrey and the new Board a successful and enjoyable year.

Bob McFarland Director - Youth Service

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1983/84 Barry Pryor	2001/02 David Virgin
1984/85 Gavin Clift	2002/03 Mike Price
1985/86 lan Warner	2004/05 Ken Buckley
1986/87 Ray Trembath	2005/06 Andrew Benson
1987/88 Kym Bartel	2006/07 Peter Manuel
1988/89 Reg Arnold	2007/08 Phil Beckett
1989/90 Des Schirmer	2008/09 Brenton Hutchison
1990/91 Geoff Watkins	2009/10 Deidre Hughes
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