

Rotary

Modbury Golden Grove



A Message from our President, Teresa Evans.

March was a fantastic month for our club being active out in the community supporting local events and kicking off a couple of club projects that will deliver significant impact to our youth who are socially isolated, along with a national Rotary project to improve the safety of first responders to incidents involving wildlife and domestic animals.

We were proud to have served over 100 members from the Torana and Monaro car club at their display day event at Civic Park. We kept the coffee flowing (thanks to Baileys Property for the donation of their coffee van) and served a BBQ lunch. It was a successful event with the sun shining on many treasured shiny cars on display while people socialised under the shade of the trees.

Tim Mee, District Governor Elect enlighten us on all things District 9510 and inspired us to be impactful. He shared a heartwarming message from Olayinka Hakeem Babalol, our incoming Rotary International President.

We took the opportunity to promote our club at the Parafield Bunnings Easter event where children were excited to see Easter Bunny with lots of give-aways. It was great to have been alongside other community service groups and build networks.

The Tea Tree Gully Soccer Club held their CFS Shield Day on 28 March and we served their sausage sizzle. Our members had some fun playing with the fire hoses on the trucks and some CFS volunteers did end up a bit wet!

We visited the potential site for our Duck Race being planned for later in the year, so things are coming along behind the scenes. Hopefully we can make some big announcements on that soon.

Looking ahead, with Easter at the beginning of April, this will allow most of us some down time with family and friends or catching up on projects around the house. But the momentum for our club certainly won't slow as we launch our first Rotary Young Adult Network event on 26th April and we build the framework for our major project - the First Responder Mobile App.

I am keen to grow the membership of our club so we don't spread our members too thin with all the great work we are doing. If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining us, or simply lending a hand, please pass on my phone number to them ph:0403 306 225 or encourage them to check out our website www.rotarymgg.org.au

Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to our club, and helping us make a difference!



April 2026 Club Meetings

14th Apr
6:30pm

Rotary Club Meeting - 6:30pm for 6:45pm Start
Contact Teresa 0403 306 225 for details

21st Apr
7:00pm

Rotary Club Board Meeting : 7pm Start.

28th Apr
6:30pm

Rotary Club Meeting - 6:30pm for 6:45pm Start
Guest Speaker: Bridget Hallam. BOOK YOUR SEAT [HERE](#)

Up Coming Bunnings BBQ Dates



Up Coming Events

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Parafield Bunnings Easter Event – 26th March

Both Teresa and Chad attended the Easter Community Event at Parafield Bunnings.

They sold chocolates to fundraise for ODA and spread the word about Modbury Golden Grove Rotary Club.

Easter Bunny made a special appearance for the kids!



Guest Speaker Event – Bridget Hallam

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Bridget Hallam

Bridget delivers a compelling, story-driven presentation that will inspire you to make courageous decisions that create real momentum – even when the path ahead isn't clear. You will leave feeling motivated, focused and ready to take bold steps towards goals that are meaningful to you personally and professionally.

Tuesday 28th April 2026
6:30pm

The Tea Tree (formerly Sfera's)
191 Reservoir Road,
Modbury 5092

\$25 per person (includes dinner)

Bar facilities available (card only – no cash)

Bookings essential and seats are limited

Bookings close 23/04/2026. No walk-ins permitted.

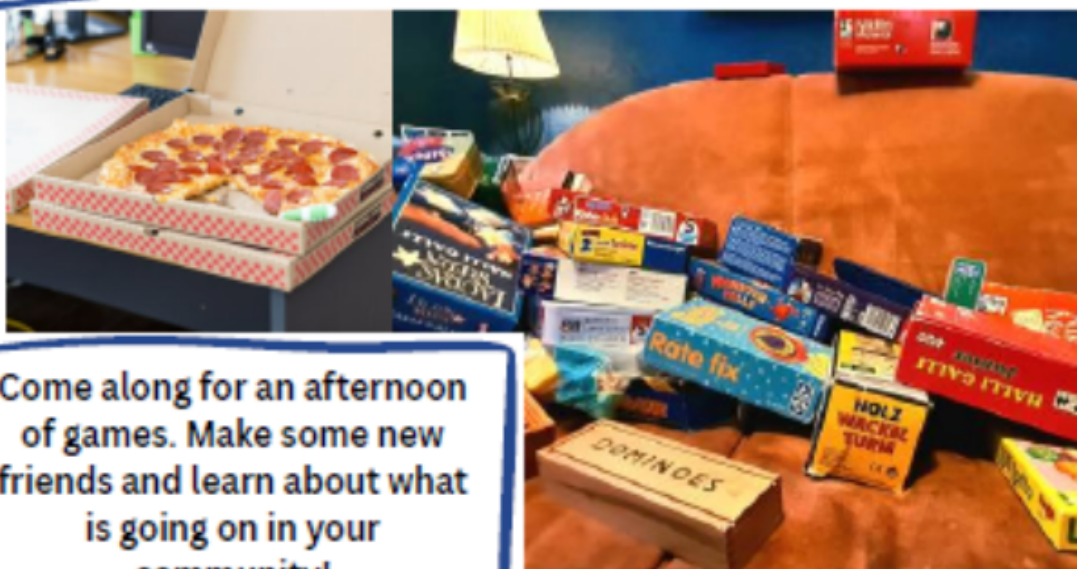
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Rotary Young
Adult Network

BOARD GAME LOUNGE

Sunday 26th of April, 11:30 until 3
Tea Tree Gully Library



Come along for an afternoon
of games. Make some new
friends and learn about what
is going on in your
community!

Open to 18 - 25 year olds.

Tickets are \$5 each, pizza and
snacks included!

Book your
ticket here



EXCITING NEW

CLUB PROJECT



Our club is embarking on a new project - The Rotary First Responder App which will provide emergency first-arrival crews with simple, practical, evidence-informed prompts and information for a dynamic risk assessment when responding to animal-related emergencies by species-specific hazards and safer working zones, de-escalation techniques, and a geo-linked directory to nearest animal-specific support, such as veterinary advice and animal rescue organisations, councils, and mental-health resources.

The app is designed for use enroute or on scene, and does not replace specialist animal rescue units. It provides for an enhanced agency duty of care for first responders by improving human safety and animal welfare outcomes.

Emergency First Responders receive training in many fields, but to date have little training provided to them to protect themselves, patients around animal-related incidents and the likely action of animals involved in the emergency. This exposure currently has led to first responder physical trauma, emotional or psychological harm, caused by attendance at livestock truck rollovers, animal-vehicle collisions, and natural disasters all of which has exposed gaps in the duty of care to first responder safety and their wellbeing. This app is being developed to assist emergency first arrival, first responders with their safety and protection at the scene of an incident, and to promote ethical animal welfare outcomes.

The App is not intended to position first responders to be able to rescue animals, but provide them with information on who is best placed to do so and what they can do safely until that resource is on scene.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

Club Meeting : Tue 10th March 2026



District Governor Elect Tim Mee addressed the Club and introduced Marco Polio - a stuffed toy to promote the "End Polio" campaign.

Tim also announced the District Assembly which is on 26th May 2026 at St. Michael's College, all members are encouraged to attend.

Club Meeting : Tue 24th March 2026



During our meeting, Rotarian Carol Fawley outlined our next major project.

~ Rotary First Responder App ~

This project will raise the public image of Rotary and get clubs to Unite for Good!

Exciting times to come!

Congratulations to Stuart and Rob who were lucky raffle winners on the night. Congratulations!



Torana & Monaro Car Club Event – 15th March



Tea Tree Gully City Soccer Club – 28th March





Name: Derek Rigney.

Where were you born? Broken Hill. Then at age 4, family moved to Western Sydney.

What do you do for work. I'm self employed as a Chauffeur and Wine Tour Driver, exploring the beautiful wine regions of South Australia.

If you had a super hero power, what would it be?
I would say Telekinesis. I could then move people and objects out of my way.

What is your Rotary Moment? Being a new member I'm waiting and ready for that moment.

Famous fact about Derek? If you take out an Australian \$50 note, that's my Great-Great Grandfather on it. If you could all please hand back this note to me please.

Where will you be in five years' time? Hopefully travelling. I would love to visit Italy.

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**CREATE
LASTING
IMPACT**

District Assembly

Club Leaders Learning Seminar

Sunday 31st May 2026

All Rotarians are invited to attend this year's

District Assembly.

[~ CLICK HERE FOR MORE DETAILS ~](#)



Rotary South Pacific Conference 2026. People. Planet. Peace.

The Rotary South Pacific Conference (30 October – 1 November 2026, Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre) provides an opportunity to see what strengthening Rotary in our part of the world looks like.

Under the theme People. Planet. Peace., the conference will bring together leaders, members and Rotaractors from across Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific to strengthen collaboration and amplify impact across the pilot region.

Rotary International President Elect Larry Lunsford will attend and, in addition to addressing delegates, will participate in a dedicated session exclusively for current club presidents — creating a rare opportunity for direct dialogue with Rotary's incoming global leader.

With global and regional leaders present, clubs are encouraged to consider convening district meetings, fellowship gatherings or action group sessions around the conference dates to maximise collaboration while members are together in Melbourne.

Preferential accommodation rates are available at Novotel Melbourne South Wharf, located beside the Convention Centre, to support early travel planning.





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