Rotary
Modbury Golden Grove

Tea Tree Gully: Growing Together, Thriving Locally.

This month, as Rotary celebrates **Economic and Community Development Month,** our local club is shining a light on what it means to build a stronger, more prosperous "Gully" for everyone.

When people think of Rotary, they often picture the iconic sausage sizzle at Bunnings. While we do make a mean snag, our modern Rotary Club is about so much more. We are a professional network of locals—from tech entrepreneurs and healthcare workers to retirees and educators—who believe that a thriving local economy is the heartbeat of a healthy community.

Empowering the Local Hustle. Economic development isn't just a buzzword for corporate boardrooms; it's about the small business owners in Modbury and Golden Grove who may need a mentor, or the young person in Modbury looking for their first employment. This month, we are focusing on how we can bridge the gap between talent and opportunity.

Whether it's through scholarships or supporting local business networking hubs, we believe that when one local business succeeds, the whole community wins. We're moving beyond traditional charity; we're investing in "social capital." By fostering an environment where innovation can grow right here in our own backyard, we help ensure our kids don't have to look far for a bright future.

Community Development with a Heart: but what is a prosperous economy without a soul? Community development is the "caring" side of our mission. It's about ensuring that as our council area grows, no one is left behind. From the revitalisation of local playgrounds to supporting mental health initiatives for our seniors, our projects are designed to create a sense of belonging.

We see the Tea Tree Gully area as a tapestry. Each suburb—from the leafy streets of Vista to the bustling hub of Tea Tree Plaza—contributes a different thread. Our role is to help weave them together. This month, we start the process for our Rotary Club's **School & Community Service Awards.** With this year, celebrating its 29th year.

A Modern Way to Give Back If you haven't checked in on Rotary lately, you might be surprised. We've traded the rigid formalities of the past for a modern, flexible approach to service. We know life is busy. Between school runs, gym sessions, and career demands, time is precious. That's why our club focuses on high-impact, efficient projects that fit into a modern lifestyle. Being part of Modbury Golden Grove Rotray is about professional growth just as much as it is about community service.
It's a place to sharpen your leadership skills, expand your local network, and—most importantly—have a lot of fun doing it.



Join the Movement Economic and Community Development Month is a reminder that we all have a stake in the Communities success. You don't need a specific title or a lifetime of experience to make a difference. You just need a bit of heart and a desire to see our local area thrive.

Let's keep building a Tea Tree Gully Community that is economically brave and community-proud. Whether you're a business owner, a student, or a long-time resident, there's a seat at our table for you.

Together, let's make local impact the best kind of business.

~President Chad ~

October 2026 Club Meetings

Tues 13 Oct

Rotary Club Meeting - 6:30pm for 6:45pm start

- Guest Speaker: Roger Brook - Sumba Life Project
- Induction of new members & Paul Harris Fellow Award

Wed 21 Oct

Rotary Club Board Meeting : 6:45pm start

Tues 27 Oct

Rotary Club Meeting - 6:30pm for 6:45pm start

- Guest Speaker: Stephen Knight - Housing in SA
- Special Guest - Health of the Murray River Forum student



END POLIO NOW



Rotary vs. Polio: A Timeline

The eradication of polio is one of our longest standing and most significant efforts. Along with our partners, we have helped immunize more than 2.5 billion children against polio in 122 countries. We have reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent worldwide and we won't stop until we end the disease for good

Future Bunnings BBQ's





Club Meeting : Tue 8th September



Happy Birthday to Alan and Sturt
7 club members celebrated their birthdays in September
We wish them health, happiness and many more birthdays to come!

Club Meeting : Tue 22nd September

A Night with IMPACT!
Within seconds, comedian Marc Ryan had engaged our members in laughter and tears as he shared his story. A story that was personal and powerful about the real struggle of living with metal illness.
The key message we were left with:
The whole idea of sharing a beer or wine with people is to slow down and listen to others.
Thank you Marc



Alan visited the Rotary Club of Murray Bridge, to present the First Responders Animal App project



Youth Update





Chad and Derek were honoured to attend the unveiling of the Peace Pole at Golden Grove High School. Positioned prominently outside the school's administration building, the Peace Pole stands as a powerful reminder of the importance of peace and understanding. The unveiling was marked with a special ceremony held on International Day of Peace, Monday 21 September 2026.





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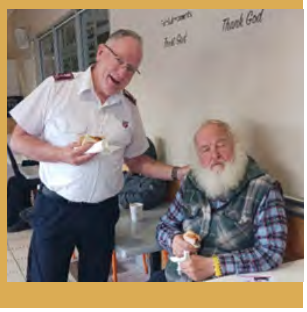
Community Outreach Update



1st Oct BBQ Sausage Sizzle







At the **Adelaide City Salvation Army,** their mission from Tuesday to Friday is to provide a place of support and dignity for those in our community who are doing it tough. Whether through their marketplace, offering fresh bread, fruit, and vegetables or a warm drink in their café. They strive to ensure no one has to walk their journey alone.

On 1st October 2026 the Rotary Club of Modbury Golden Grove generously hosted a sausage sizzle for everyone visiting the center. They plan to help the sense of community come to life in a special way by hosting a breakfast for those in need on 5th November.

The impact of such a simple gesture is profound. As the smell of the breakfast fills the air, the café area will be transformed into a hub of connection. We will see first-hand how a shared meal creates a natural space for conversation. Barriers will be broken down, people felt genuinely encouraged, and the team at Salvation Army Adelaide will be able to share vital information about the support services they offer.

The centre is very grateful to the Rotary Club for their care and hands-on help. Their spirit of service perfectly aligns with the goals of fostering a supportive environment for all. The Salvation Army looks forward to strengthening their partnership with Rotary in the future as we continue to serve the Adelaide community together.



The **Emergency Medical Information Book** is the only medical document recommended by **all Australian Ambulance services**.



The EMIB clear plastic sleeve has magnets so you can stick it on the fridge.

The EMIB contains all your Medical conditions, medications and details if you need to be transported to hospital.

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Who protects first responders when animals are involved?

Rotary Modbury Golden Grove | First Responder Mobile App

The **Rotary First Responder Mobile App** is being developed to support first-arrival crews at animal-related incidents — helping them assess risk, protect themselves, and improve animal welfare outcomes.



Why this Project Matters

For our community

- Safer emergency scenes
- Reduced responder injuries and secondary incidents
- Better outcomes for people involved in animal-related emergencies

For the Environment & Wildlife

- Improved decision-making during bushfires, floods, and disasters
- Reduced animal suffering and unnecessary fatalities
- Ethical, informed responses to wildlife emergencies

For Emergency First Responders

- Stronger duty of care
- Reduced psychological trauma and post-incident regret
- Support when specialist animal services are delayed or unavailable

Support the development of the Rotary First Responder Mobile App.

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CREATE LASTING IMPACT
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ALL STORES IN SA & NT
WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2026
9AM - 5PM
BUNNINGS warehouse
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Rotary First Responders Mobile App
Support your Rotary Clubs participaning in the state wide event.
Funds go to support The Rotary First Responders Mobile App.
Activities and fun for the whole family.
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Community Engagment at Victor Harbor

On Wednesday, October 7th, the Rotary Club of Victor Harbor hosted a special event focused on innovation and community safety. Our club members Teresa, Carol and Stuart delivered a presentation to introduce the First Responders Mobile App, a groundbreaking tool designed to enhance emergency coordination and support to those on the front lines who are responding to incidents where animals are involved.

The evening was a resounding success, thanks to the exceptional leadership of Rotarian Jan Lawrence, who brought together a diverse group people from the Fleurieu community and beyond. More than 45 attendees represented a powerful cross-section of the local community, including Rotary Clubs, Lions Club, and vital emergency services such as the CFS, SAPOL and SA Ambulance Service.

This gathering highlights Rotary's unwavering commitment to developing essential resources for our first responders. The atmosphere on the night was buzzing with vibrant collaboration, and demonstrated how community-led initiatives can have a lasting impact through the adoption of technological solutions that give better outcomes for people and animals.

We extend our sincere thanks to Teresa, Carol and Stuart for their professional presentation and engagement of the Victor Harbor community.
This event stands as a testament to what we can achieve when we unite together for a common cause.









District News



2027 Rotary International Convention

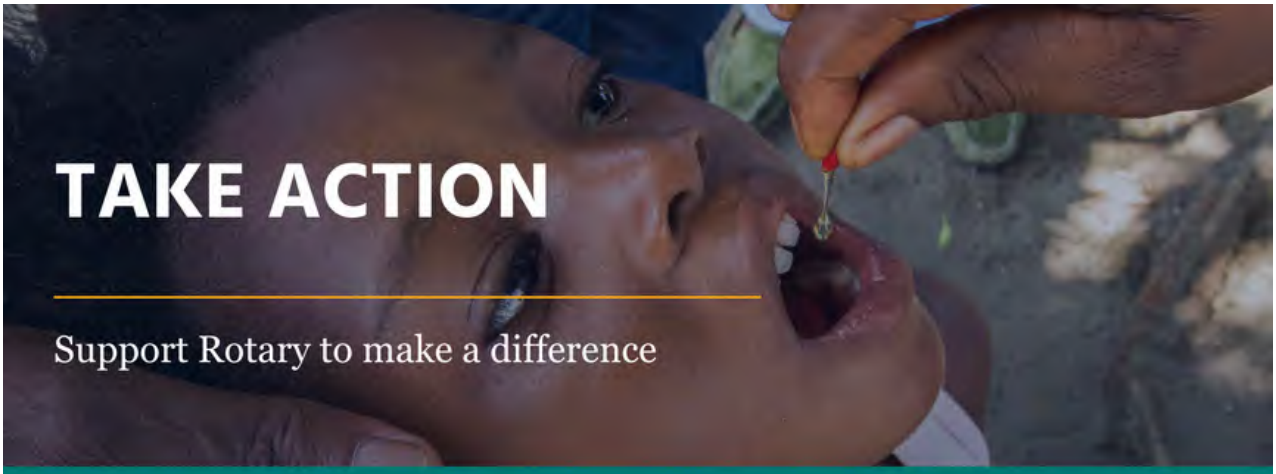
26-30 June 2027 Barcelona, Spain

Rotary | BARCELONA 2027

No challenge is too big for us

For more than a century, we've bridged cultures and connected continents. We champion peace, fight illiteracy and poverty, help people get access to clean water and sanitation, and fight disease. Our newest cause is to protect our planet and its resources.

Rotary Foundation



For more than 100 years, Rotary has made a difference in the lives of millions. Choose how you'd like to help Rotary continue to support communities in Australia and around the world.

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$2.1BN FUNDED BY ROTARY

120 COUNTRIES

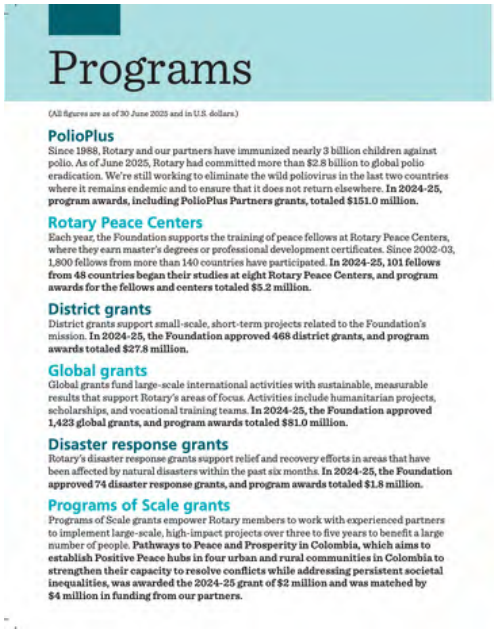
POLIO REMAINS IN 2 COUNTRIES



Since our first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979, Rotary members have contributed more than US$2.1 billion and countless volunteer hours to protect nearly 3 billion children in 122 countries from this paralyzing disease. Rotary's advocacy efforts have played a role in decisions by governments to contribute more than US$10 billion to the effort.

Rotary Foundation Joint Dinner Meeting





Programs

(All figures are as of 30 June 2025 and in U.S. dollars.)

PolioPlus

Since 1988, Rotary and our partners have immunized nearly 3 billion children against polio. As of June 2025, Rotary had committed more than $2.8 billion to global polio eradication. We're still working to eliminate the wild poliovirus in the last two countries where it remains endemic and to ensure that it does not return elsewhere. **In 2024-25, program awards, including PolioPlus Partners grants, totaled $151.0 million.**

Rotary Peace Centers

Each year, the Foundation supports the training of peace fellows at Rotary Peace Centers, where they earn master's degrees or professional development certificates. Since 2002-03, 1,800 fellows from more than 140 countries have participated. **In 2024-25, 101 fellows from 48 countries began their studies at eight Rotary Peace Centers, and program awards for the fellows and centers totaled $5.2 million.**

District grants

District grants support small-scale, short-term projects related to the Foundation's mission. **In 2024-25, the Foundation approved 468 district grants, and program awards totaled $27.8 million.**

Global grants

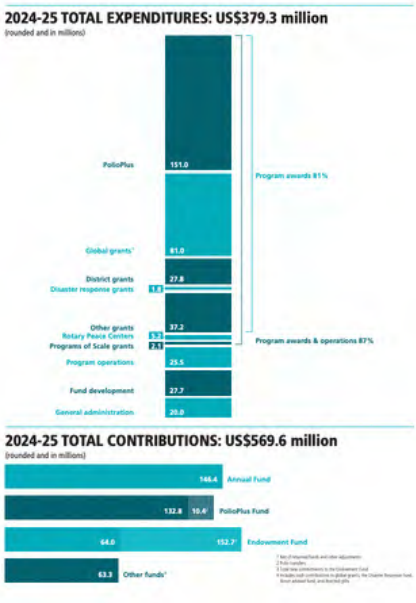
Global grants fund large-scale international activities with sustainable, measurable results that support Rotary's areas of focus. Activities include humanitarian projects, scholarships, and vocational training teams. **In 2024-25, the Foundation approved 1,423 global grants, and program awards totaled $81.0 million.**

Disaster response grants

Rotary's disaster response grants support relief and recovery efforts in areas that have been affected by natural disasters within the past six months. **In 2024-25, the Foundation approved 74 disaster response grants, and program awards totaled $1.8 million.**

Programs of Scale grants

Programs of Scale grants empower Rotary members to work with experienced partners to implement large-scale, high-impact projects over three to five years to benefit a large number of people. **Pathways to Peace and Prosperity in Colombia, which aims to establish Positive Peace hubs in four urban and rural communities in Colombia to strengthen their capacity to resolve conflicts while addressing persistent societal inequalities, was awarded the 2024-25 grant of $2 million and was matched by $4 million in funding from our partners.**





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Turn Your Recycling Into Community Impact!



We are excited to partner with **Greenwith Grove Recyclers** to help turn everyday recycling into meaningful community outcomes.
Next time you have cans, bottles, scrap metal, or old car batteries to recycle, simply take them to the Greenwith Grove Recyclers depot on Greenwith Road, Golden Grove and place the cash return from your recycling into our donation tin.

It's a simple way to make a difference. Every donation, no matter how small, helps fund local community projects that create lasting positive impact for people in our area.





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.

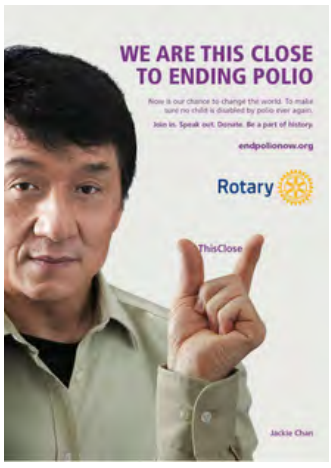
With global and regional leaders present, clubs are encouraged to consider convening district meetings, fellowship gatherings or action group sessions around the conference dates to maximise collaboration while members are together in Melbourne.











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