



Bush Cricket Reveals Hidden Talents By Our Exchange Student



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President: Steve McLachlan | **Secretary:** David Cockshell | **District Governor:** Paul Thomas | **RI President:** Jennifer Jones

President Steve McLachlan's welcome & report:

Welcome

Two awesome visitors tonight: Andrew Halford and our guest speaker—Renee Chamberlain.

Thank you

Greg Morris is commended for selflessly contributing an amazing amount of time and dedication to the club as its Bulletin Editor over many, many years. Grant Buik is diligently continuing on this legacy.

Key Dates

Members please note that Monday 8th May will be an Area 6 Combined meeting at the Playford Bowling Club - 6 for a 630 pm start. Cost & Guest Speaker TBC.

Monday 15th May will be a combined meeting with the Gawler Club at Nixons @ 6 for a 630pm start. Cost to be advised, Guest Speaker will be Vivienne Goodenough from "The Heart of the Nation" Cost TBA.

No meeting on Tuesdays of both weeks.

Board Meeting will be trialled in a new time slot - next Tuesday before the Club meeting @ 6.30pm in the Loft.

Please send a brief report to Dave Cockshell by Monday to circulate prior to the meeting.

Important Dates

25 April	No meeting—ANZAC Day
29 April	Focus on Youth: Skate Park BBQ supporting Wheels in Motion
29 April	GCFC Gatekeeping
30 April	Freeling BBQ? —TBC
8 May	Area 6 combined meeting @ Playford Bowling Club
9 May	No meeting
15 May	Combined Meeting @ Nixons (Monday)
27-31 May	Rotary International Convention Melbourne
3 June	Bunnings BBQ
25 June	Club Changeover @ Café Nova 1 — 4 pm

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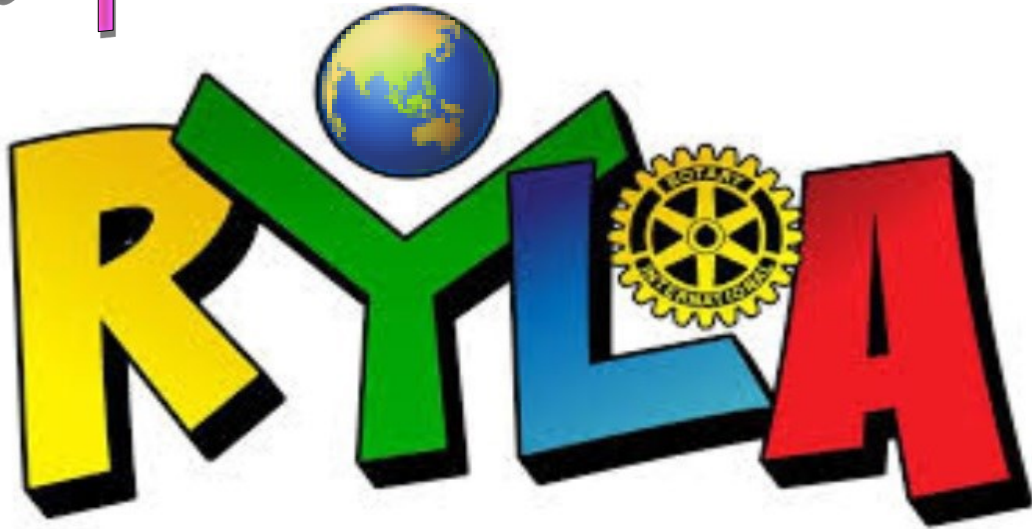
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Guest Speaker - Renee Chamberlain



RYLA is a really cool Rotary Youth Leadership Award inspiring and challenging personal development and leadership. Young people (18 to 25 years) develop their leadership potential, set goals for their future, challenge themselves personally and have an amazing time with dozens of peers from all different life journeys.

Renee counts herself as very fortunate to have been sponsored by Gawler Light Rotary Club to attend RYLA in 2022. She also was privileged to attend RYPEN a few years before which was held at the same venue, Nunyara Conference Centre in the Belair Hills.

The days were packed full of speakers facilitating sessions on resilience, public speaking and influential leadership. There were also amazing workshops and targeted activities that focused on

team building qualities and reflected on conflict resolution, emotional intelligence and entrepreneurship.

Renee confidently recounted highlights that fostered resilience through creative and emotional challenges. One stimulating core activity started from day 1 and laid the groundwork for further challenging team experiences throughout the program. Individualized and unique Pokemon mascots were created by each designated team. They provided a running theme throughout the program and encapsulated team points that were VERY competitive. Renee's team mascot which looked somewhat like a banana, presented some rather embarrassing scenarios in the initial getting to know you phase of settling in as they tried to act out how their mascot came into being and what it represented.

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As part of personal discovery and growth there were some emotional challenges as conflict resolution was explored. Attendees were encouraged to share personal circumstances of a time when conflict skills were put into practice and how the situation was handled.

Using deeply challenging personal circumstances, the attendees were asked to consider whether they could have handled their responses differently should they be in similar circumstances again. As the emotions were laid bare, other team members were themselves confronted with unexpected situations in which they demonstrated increased empathy, being extremely respectful and supportive. The outcomes for all were very positive. It also brought to life the back stories of different attendees and emphasized just how different people are and that everyone there had different journeys in life's experience thus far. Conflict resolution strategies were developed by re-enacting scenarios provided and by exploring alternatives to handle situations.

Critical growth in life skills continued through challenging activities such as a night orienteering team challenge that incorporated their team mascot. Renee's team were on the back foot from the very beginning. Yellow team

got lost on the way to the National Park! Once at the National Park the team was required to collaboratively guess the correct spot that resonated best with the clues given to the respective team mentors and then to take a team photo at each spot to validate their decision.

Renee's team felt defeated, but still stuck resolutely to the task. They gradually made up ground but there was a feeling of inevitability, given their poor start. To everyone's astonishment, their team was announced as the winning team because they were the only ones who not only got to all their designated places eventually, but because they were the sole team that had been sufficiently diligent by taking the required photo at all places and in particular at their final spot WITH their team mascot—a detail all the other teams neglected. "I guess slow and steady does somehow help us to overcome the hurdles to achieve the goal within the race".

Each attendee within the teams progressively had valuable opportunities to collaboratively and individually explore communication. Communication is an essential life skill and can make a huge difference in the journey of life.

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Renee, along with others in her team (as well as the others in the alternative teams) participated in learning experiences that explored the most effective ways for communication, discovering that effective communication was different depending on the audience that they were trying to communicate with and the medium of communication. Miscommunication can occur through verbal as well as non verbal means, but awareness and implementation of strategies do make a difference. The importance for communicating positive mindsets through encouragement and belief in this process was emphasized through adventures like tree climbing.

The tree climbing challenge was presented against a wet and muddy backdrop. Yet, despite the personal fears and doubts, the encouragement offered through positive communication inspired everyone to press on and achieve their goals, climbing that tree!

The attendees were challenged to create something physical that expressed something important to themselves. For Renee and her fellow participant, this meant negotiating an outcome that would meet not only required goals, but would grow communication skills. They created skirts from craft materials and the flora on the local environment which they produced. They then made a presentation to other attendees. Sharing ideas and revealing thoughts behind projects showed great insights and growth of entrepreneurship skills.

Renee will use these skills as she completes a Diploma of Travel and Tourism and spends 6 months on the Whitsundays working and experiencing the skills that she has fostered through RYLA.

Questions to Renee

What was the most difficult part?

I enjoyed exploring different opinions by others, but the hardest part was re-visiting and reflecting on some of the experiences I had previously encountered in my life's journey.

Is there something you have done since then, that you would not have done had you not attended or did it change you in any way? Yes, I changed my mind about my study life. *During the talk, Renee also referred to RYLA's impact through the life long influences of friendships forged with her RYLA peers and ways in which her informed decision making now embraced awareness for the audience's background & collaborative leadership.*

Vote of Thanks Rob Eley

From the first time we met, we saw you Renee as a person with huge potential.

You were the first President of our first Interact Club, we became good friends, it's a classic example of what Rotary does and the way people like you embrace the opportunity!

The Barossa Air Show— Steve McLoughlin

Circulated a rough map of a previous event showing the Car Park situation.

Discussed the equipment that we would need, Vests, Signage, Radios, Bollards, Flags, Cones and Contact list of event organisers and emergency contacts.

Discussed the Roles of the Volunteers

6 people per shift: 2 parking vehicles

2 @ the Entrance 1 @ the crossing

1 @ the Staff / Disabled car parking area

Discussed Method of Parking – Nose in on the fence line, then nose to tail in rows with 1 person to stay at the beginning of each row.

Discussed about being visible to Patrons with Flags and Hi Vis Vests.

Discussed Empty Spaces later in the day and how to fill them.

Club Radios have been tested with spare batteries on the day.

Barossa Air Show will supply extra radios with one that we can monitor on the day

We have filled the roster. Many thanks to those that have offered help.

A risk assessment form and Insurance Pro Forma have been completed.

We will keep a watch on the weather and liaise with Mark Graetz. I will email Mark the roster and details of participants.

A group of four will visit the site Saturday 15th after 1300hrs to check that all is in order.

End of Year Top-Up —Rotary Foundation

Peter Harper,

We're coming towards the end of the Rotary year, books close 31st May, if you want to top up to the \$100.00 for the Foundation, that would be good.

Membership

Rob Eley chatted with Andrew and will send him membership information at the end of this week.

Members Corner

Dave Cockshell will be an apology for Saturday as he will be in Melbourne. The following Friday Dave is having surgery, 4 days in hospital, unknown maybe 3 months recovery. That means I will have unknown period of time.

Lynne will give some coverage to send stuff out to members.

Martin Monument has a tree full of apples, anyone wants some welcome to come and pick.

Thought for the Week

Martin Monument

As you wander around in your day, reflect with all the waste that's going on, what is waste is money in your pocket!

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Laurens—International Exchange Student & Master of the Camping Lifestyle

After our meeting last week, Thursday was my last day with Matthew and Jane, I had a very good time with them over the last three months.

I moved to Jenny and Paul's. We went camping, for 4 days. I had only one shower in that time - it was cold because there was one thing that I forgot to do. The toilet was a long drop. The weather was sunny and not too cold.

On Easter we did an Easter egg hunt - a plane dropped easter eggs all over us.

Now I am in my last three months and have enjoyed everything up to date.

Insights by Jenny Leadbeater (Host Mum)

Laurens went with Paul and I to our Easter camping trip with our family and friends. Usually we would go to the Murray near Morgan, however that camp-site is still closed due to flood damage. For the first time we camped in a bush camp on a farm north of Robertstown on the Burra Creek.

There were 18 of us, with a mixture of young and old, staying in tents, campers and caravans. We arrived Friday morning and spent the day setting up.

On Saturday we played various games such as giant Jenga, Finska and cricket. We enjoyed a big communal camp roast of lamb, pork and roast veg, all cooked in the coals for dinner that night.



On Sunday we had our big Easter egg hunt - even though the youngest is 23 it is still a big tradition of ours! Everyone contributes towards the eggs so we end up with well over 100 eggs to hide! While the egg hiders hid eggs, the rest of the group including Laurens went for a walk along and through the dry creek area. Then it was a mad scramble to find them all!

A bonus surprise was a flyover by the owner of the property who dropped little bags of Easter eggs!

Night times were spent sitting around the fire telling stories and



riddles and having a really good laugh!

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Laurens, our International Exchange Student tasting the joys of camping amidst **long drops, drop bears** and **Easter Bilby droppings!**



Six & out if you hit the ball into a Long Drop!!



Now I know what a Long Drop means!



Happy Easter



The joy from the one & only cold shower over the whole long weekend was just too much to endure — Laurens needed to hibernate!

Gawler & District B-12 College's Interact Club supported by Rotary Club of Gawler Light

continues to be alive and active for 2023! Membership has grown and this year. 18 students are involved with even more looking to join! These students are volunteering their time outside of school to support the activities of the Rotary Club of Gawler Light as well as during activities that



are at school such as Breakfast Club before school. We at GDC are proud of the efforts of these students and all of the support Rotary Club of Gawler Light offers our students including badges for our students to wear at schools and shirts for events. Recently Rotary Club of Gawler Light donated \$500 to the senior school Breakfast Club programs (on top of donations of money and time to the junior school breakfast club).

Recently the students also participated in voting in the next Interact President. With current and long time president Rhiannon B in year 12, the students of Interact were given the opportunity to nominate for the position, present a



speech to their peers and we would like to congratulate Kayla R on her election as President and Thomas L on his election for Vice President! Over the next two terms Rhiannon will guide and mentor Kayla and Thomas to take on these roles. We are very excited to watch our young people grow through this experience.

Interact Members: Rhiannon B, Coleson T, Nathaniel H, Bethany P, Laurens V E, Willow McG, Chloe R, Noah G, Thomas L, Lucy H, Chelsea T, Taya W, Kayla R, Paige B, Aiden H, Dakota H-G, Arthur McC and Nakita S.

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QUIZ NIGHT AND SILENT AUCTION

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF
FUN AND FUNDRAISING!
@ BAROSSA CHATEAU
06 MAY 2023

Barossa Wildlife Rescue Quiz
Night and Silent Auction

Saturday May 6,
6:30pm—11:00 pm
ACST

Price **\$10 AUD + BF**

Barossa Wildlife Rescue is a local community run charity that provides rescue, rehabilitation and release services for injured and orphaned wildlife in the Barossa Valley region and surrounds. Your support for a fundraising event to be held in May would be appreciated by our local environment fauna.

Join us for a night of fun and fundraising at our Quiz night & Silent auction. Well known radio identity, Sean Craig Murphy will be our MC for the night.

- **Doors open at 6:30 for a 7:00pm start.**
- **Tables of 8 participants—why not organise a group to unite together for a cause.**
- **BYO nibbles to share with your table.**
- **Sorry no BYO drinks.**
- **Bar facilities will be available.**
- **Bookings are essential.**

Event queries - email info@barossawildliferescue.com.au

<https://events.humanitix.com/barossa-wildlife-rescue-quiz-night-and-silent-auction>





Variations to our usual Tuesday Meetings



April 25: ANZAC DAY

May 8: Area 6 Combined Meeting

May 15: Heart of the Nation, Combined Meeting at Nixon's

June 25: Club Changeover ... 1—4pm Café Nova

Note: Bring A Friend— rescheduled to June

MEETING ROSTER

Date	April 18	May 2	May 23	May 30
Meeting #	1342	1343	1344	1345
Guest Speaker	Crafty the Music Man	Steve McLachlan Darryl Matthews		Melanie Tate
Subject	Life's Journey	Club Health Check	Committees	Puddle Jumpers
Cashier	Greg Morris	Peter Harper	David Weatherley	Greg Morris
Chairperson	Dick Milner	Martin Monument	Matt Saunders	Deanne Tingey
Rotary Information	Martin Monument	Matt Saunders	Deanne Tingey	Joan Tingey
Thought for the Week	Matt Saunders	Deanne Tingey	Joan Tingey	Stephen Arthur
Vote of Thanks	Deanne Tingey	Joan Tingey	Stephen Arthur	Susan Clift- Bowden
Fellowship	Joan Tingey	Stephen Arthur	Susan Clift- Bowden	Kim Wright
Location	Gawler Arms	Gawler Arms	Gawler Arms	Gawler Arms
Meeting Type	Partners Welcome	Partners Welcome	Partners Welcome	Partners Welcome

Note: No Tues Meeting for April 25, May 9 & May 16.

If unavailable for roster please try to find a replacement well before the date.