



**CREATE HOPE  
in the WORLD**

**Rotary**

Rotary Club of Gawler Light



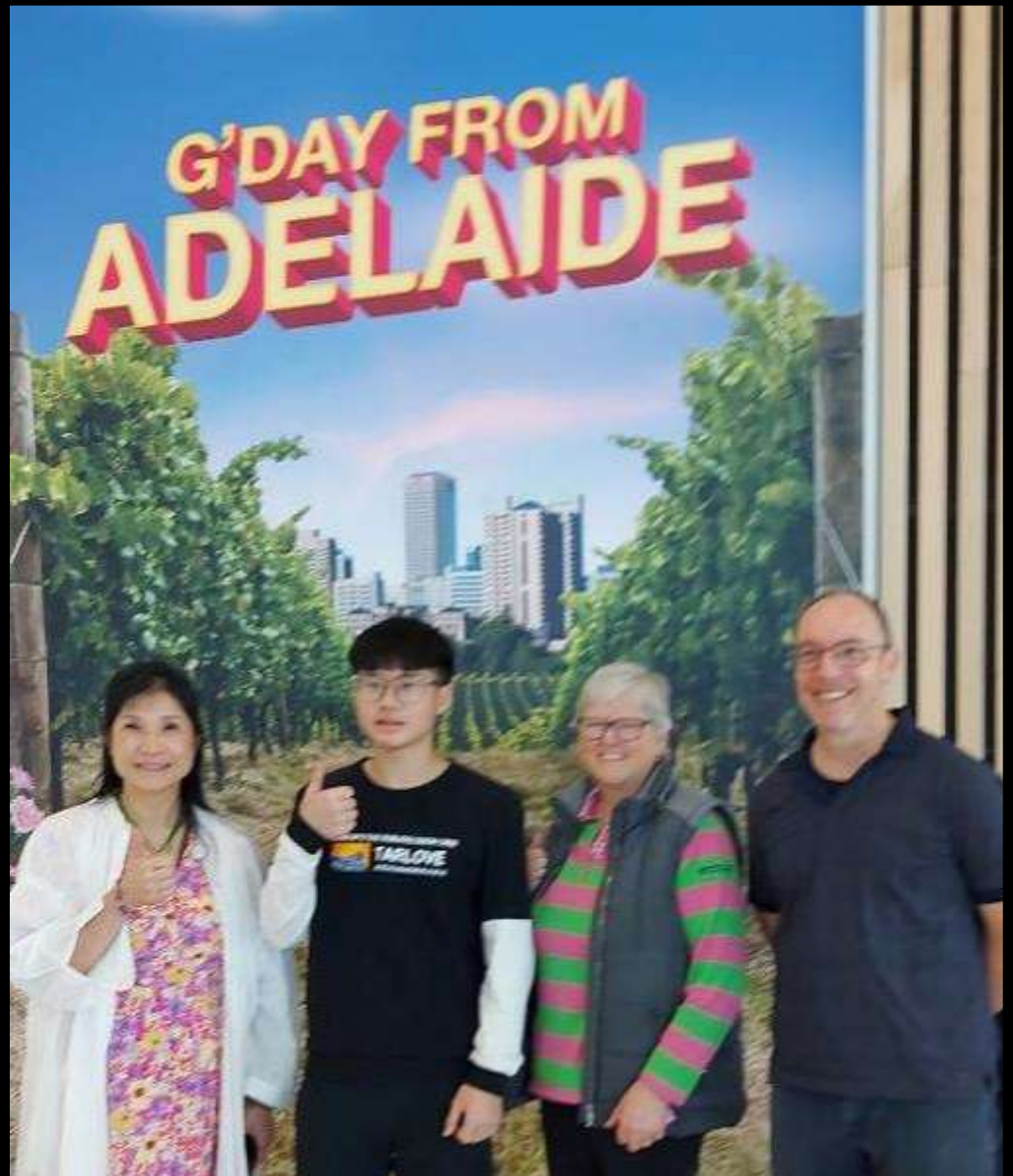
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**Bulletin: Meeting 1354 July 18**

**President:** Darryl Matthews | **Secretary:** David Cockshell | **District Governor:** Craig Dowling | **RI President:** Gordon McNally



**Welcome  
Taron  
Gawler Light  
Rotary  
Exchange  
Student  
23/24**



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# UPCOMING GUEST SPEAKERS



## **Kim Thompson—Barossa Bushgarden Volunteers—Aug 1**

**Create Hope—Embracing new needs and pathways that creates hope for those enduring health challenges, the future generation & the environment**



## **Jack Gill—Gawler Environment Centre—Embracing a culture that attracts and enriches volunteers focused on promoting environmental sustainability—Aug. 29**



**Taron—International Speaker (with Skip as sidekick?)**



**Captivating  
Bron Anderson**

## **CREATING SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES IN CAMBODIA** *Rotary-funded projects, in partnership with Dana Asia Ltd*

Through Australian registered not-for-profit Dana Asia and their local team, the Rotary Club of Gawler Light is supporting three projects aimed at reducing inequalities and creating sustainable livelihood opportunities in Cambodia's most impoverished rural communities.

In July 2023, Dana Asia's Director of Programs, Lotti, travelled to Siem Reap to visit the projects and get some updates, as follows:

### **1. SUSTAINABLE POULTRY FARMING**

In February 2020, Rotary provided the funds for outgrower farmer Mr. Sokum to establish his smallholder poultry business. He has since grown into a successful businessman, currently growing his ninth batch of chickens for sale. In his most recent completed batch, Sokum enjoyed a profit of AU\$355 over the 90-day cycle. Since starting his small business, he has seen an average increase to his monthly household income of 75%. The extra income is saved for his children's education and medical care for his wife who has a long-term illness.

**Rotary District grants & club contributions received: AU\$2,112**



*Sokum cleaning his solar panel and with his shed.*

### **2. SOLAR CLEAN WATER SOCIAL BUSINESS**

Students and teachers at Khnao Po High School have recently completed a short-course in Entrepreneurship run by an experienced trainer in Siem Reap. The course covered topics such as basic entrepreneurship skills, marketing, financial planning and management and preparing a business plan. In July 2023, the participants were presented with certificates for the completion of the course. The next phase of capacity building is mentorship through the business planning process. The participants will develop a business plan for a clean water social business that markets and sells clean water produced by solar panels to the community. The business planning phase will commence in late July and we look forward to seeing the business plan once complete.

**Rotary District grants & club contributions received: AU\$1,600**





*Participants of the Entrepreneurship training program receive their certificates.*

### **3. KHNAO PO LIBRARY**

The Rotary Club recently donated for the purchase of books urgently needed for the Khnao Po library. Currently, learning resources for the high school level students are lacking making it very hard for them to get the most out of their education. The school has been working hard to prepare the library for use by students and books will be purchased in the next week.

**Rotary District grants & club contributions received: AU\$2,000**



### **4. SCHOLARSHIPS**

In 2022, Rotary supported three students to study three modules of English language at the Australian Centre for Education in Siem Reap. All three then went on to secure scholarships from Dana Asia to study at university in Siem Reap and are currently entering the second semester of their first year. It took some time for them to adjust not only to new university studies, but also life in the town and away from their families. This is the first time any of them have lived away from home. They are now adjusting well with the support of each other and Dana Asia's in-country manager, Sreykhuoch.

**Rotary District grants & club contributions received: AU\$3,000**



*Dana Asia's university scholars meet with Director of Programs Lotti and Sreykhuoch in Siem Reap in July. The three scholars who received Rotary funding for their English tuition are circled.*

## **President Darryl: Opening remarks:**

Welcome Denise

International Exchange Student: Laurens

Laurens has returned home safely.

We don't know what's happened to his hair.

Dave Weatherley and I went to the Gawler Show Car Parking meeting.

An increase in donation has been requested.

Signage – they have 21 signs, can supply Bunting and witches hats.

The float, tickets, square etc to be collected night before each shift.

Lighting is being installed to improve safety for when people leave as car park area.

New rostering system (Volunteer Signup) being trialed—info emailed out

***Several GLRC members attending Sheterbag presentations next Tuesday night at Kidman Park & Modbury/Golden Grove, Rotary Clubs. Project Manager—Richard Tucker.***

## **President Darryl Matthews: Membership Ideas Brainstorming Session**

Timing of an event i.e. Tuesday night 7.30 to 8.30

Walk from table to table to see a showcase of projects

Slide show of projects and past events.

A short demo on some of our projects – 3 minutes maximum

Our Flyer is 6 years old, needs updating.

Need for business type card with possible QR code (eg QR code generator), the Rotary wheel, basic information, and contacts for RC Gawler Light..

### **Considerations:**

Who is the target audience & where? At or away from a meeting, outside doing something?

How do we get info out there & through what activities.

Are we inclusive of cultural diversity—how diverse is Gawler?

Share projects with Interactor & their parents; friends; colleagues and friends of Rotary. —As they arrive, have a contact sheet & ask reflective questions about what they have seen in community. Need to be snappy and quick.

Produce fun rotary video to re-engage past members, NYSF, RYLA & RYPEN participants

Re-engage with Friends of Rotary eg invite Friends to assemble Birthing Kits.

Fireside meetings, invite a few people (2-4) around for a chat.

Invite prospective members to attend club events with Rotary information available, such as Clean up Australia Day demonstrating Rotary in Action.

Promote current & past local and International Projects via community radio or via social media, Bunyip and give handouts to public.

**Treasurer: Peter Harper**

Please pay club membership dues as the Club has paid them all. Money from boxes of Chocolates needs to be paid into account ASAP.

**Community: Joan Tingey**

We took 31 kids to Blewett Springs. We were asked about a chaperone, which we knew nothing about. Then we had to pick up the chaperone and take to the site.

**Members Corner**

Former member Steve Redden has had 2 stents inserted but did not suffer a heart attack and is recovering quickly.

We will have another new member of our Club soon, Dianne Stuart will be transferring from RC Warwick, they came to our club because her partner Mark knows Steve Redden and he recommended us.

Dick Milner:

I've been hobbling a bit. I noticed a melanoma on my lower leg in January. It's been dug out, the good news is once it stops hurting it will be all clear.

ML:

Almost all members put \$5 into the Foundation each week. Many years ago Peter Harper contributed to the Foundation, Paul Harris fellow pin should have been presented to him. Somehow it was missed but is now presented to Peter.

Stephen Arthur:

Attended funeral of past RC Gawler Member Trish Williams partner of Alan Harris. Condolences recorded on behalf of RC Gawler Light.

Joan:

There will be a Music Festival at Taillem Bend. At next years event on a Sunday afternoon we could put a coach on and get 30 odd people there and have a fellowship day out. The house is tidy and lovely with Deanne and baby away. Four boxes of chocs left to sell.

Bron:

It's been 6 months but I finally have a door on my toilet. I forgot and in the night walked into it.

**Presidents closing remarks:**

Thanks Denise for coming along tonight

Tomorrow night we have a Board Meeting.

Bron has organised a not for profit Microsoft license so now no limits on meeting time. Awesome!

**Thought for the week:**

Bron Anderson.

Just remember that all the shit some people put you through, sooner or later it finds it's way back to them.

**Meeting closed 8.29pm**

## MEETING ROSTER

| Date                        | <b>July 25</b>   | <b>Aug 1</b>               | <b>Aug 8</b>            | <b>Aug 15</b>           |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Meeting #</b>            | <b>1355</b>  | <b>1356</b>                | <b>1357</b>             | <b>1358</b>             |
| <b>Guest Speaker</b>        | <b>Jessica Rehn</b>                                      | <b>Kim Thompson</b>        | <b>To be confirmed</b>  | —                       |
| <b>Subject</b>              | <b>Little Treasures Foundation—<br/>Premature Babies</b> | <b>Barossa Bushgardens</b> |                         | <b>Committees</b>       |
| <b>Cashier</b>              | <b>Peter Harper</b>                                      | <b>David Weatherely</b>    | <b>Greg Morris</b>      | <b>Peter Harper</b>     |
| <b>Chairperson</b>          | <b>Susan Clift-Bowden</b>                                | <b>Bronwyn Anderson</b>    | <b>Matthew Sanders</b>  | <b>Richard Tucker</b>   |
| <b>Rotary Information</b>   | <b>Bronwyn Anderson</b>                                  | <b>Matthew Sanders</b>     | <b>Richard Tucker</b>   | <b>Ian Curtis</b>       |
| <b>Thought for the Week</b> | <b>Matthew Sanders</b>                                   | <b>Richard Tucker</b>      | <b>Ian Curtis</b>       | <b>Martin Winkworth</b> |
| <b>Vote of Thanks</b>       | <b>Richard Tucker</b>                                    | <b>Ian Curtis</b>          | <b>Martin Winkworth</b> | <b>David Cockshell</b>  |
| <b>Fellowship</b>           | <b>Ian Curtis</b>  | <b>Martin Winkworth</b>    | <b>David Cockshell</b>  | <b>Ian Chase</b>        |
| <b>Location</b>             | <b>Gawler Arms</b>                                       |                            | <b>Gawler Arms</b>      | <b>Gawler Arms</b>      |
| <b>Board Meeting</b>        | <b>No</b>  | <b>No</b>                  | <b>No</b>               | <b>TBC</b>              |

**Aug. 15 RCGL Committees followed by Informal Social Time  
in the downstairs gaming area & Board Meeting**

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