



Rotary Club of Gawler Light

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President's Message: Dick Milner

Welcome to the new Rotary Year.

First of all thanks to Bron for a great year surviving all the trials and tribulations of the past year, not only having to put up with the members but also COVID-19. Great Job!

Our first guest speaker for this year on Tuesday 7th, is Past Rotary International President 2006-2007 Bill Boyd from New Zealand, the second world president from there. Bill will be speaking to us from his daughter's house in Wellington as he is down there for the (surprise) presentation of a Paul Harris Fellowship to her this Monday night.

Bill has been on many Rotary committees and was chairman of Rotary Down Under for several years. He left school at fifteen to work in his father's bookshop and retired in 1995 as general manager of Gordon & Gotch Magazines. He has an impressive number of Rotary awards and was named a member of the Queens Service order for Community Service in the 2007 New Year's Honours list.

Bill is one of the best speakers on Rotary topics I have ever heard and since the deaths of past RI Presidents Cliff Dochterman and Clem Renouf very probably the best there is today.

I urge you all to tune in on Tuesday to hear him as a refresher on Rotary enthusiasm for the new Rotary year.

Join the Zoom Meeting Time: Jul 7, 2020 07:30 PM Adelaide

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81199126212?pwd=cnlVTVp0K3k1aWZZVFB2d2cram1jQT09>

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aims to provide enjoyment and foster
fellowship between Rotarians and
others through projects to improve
our local and international*

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Service Above Self

Congratulations David Cockshell, Recipient of the Rotary Service Above Self Award 2020.

The Service Above Self Award is a prestigious award for Rotarians who demonstrate their commitment to helping others by volunteering their time and talents.

David Cockshell regularly gives his time to others through Rotary and Donations in Kind Central Region (SA), supporting many disadvantaged communities across the world. He has been a member of Rotary for the best part of two decades and is the Chair of the Donations Kind Central Region (SA) program.



Entertainment Books

It's that time of year again! All Entertainment Book memberships are now digital. If you buy yours before 13 July 2020 you'll receive a 1 year membership + 2 months bonus (with 3 months to activate), and a bonus \$10 or \$20 Wish gift card (Woolworths, Big W, BWS).

Support the Rotary Club of Gawler Light by buying your Entertainment Book here: <https://www.entertainment.com.au/orderbooks/166e375> OR sharing the link or Facebook post with your networks

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Wheels in Motion: David Weatherley

Wheels in Motion has returned!

Not able to operate during the recent COVID-19 restrictions Wheels in Motion Gawler returned to the streets on Monday 15th June.

A number of the participants were able to complete some hours during COVID restrictions but the majority will be returning and eager to finish their 75 hours supervised driving.

Wheels in Motion allows young people (17 – 25) in Gawler the opportunity to overcome a major barrier to employment and further education, by assisting them access to driver experience, enabling them to qualify for their P's.

This program targets young people who:

- Live/work/study in the Gawler and Light areas
- Do not have an accessible, appropriate vehicle in the household where they live
- Do not have access to a licensed supervising driver
- Can demonstrate that being P licensed would immediately improve their employment or education opportunities will receive some priority
- Pay a small fee to help us offset costs.

The mentors, who freely give of their time, sit in the vehicle and supervise the learner driver as they undertake these hours are a vital part of the service and we are always on the lookout for willing mentors.

Since the program commenced in July 2018, we have supported over 35 young people in achieving their 75 hours.

This has enabled these people to improve their employment opportunities, with another gaining employment and other attending further education.

Overall though the gaining of independence as a result of having a licence has been highlighted by the participants as the most positive outcome.

Wheels in Motion Gawler Inc. is also a registered benevolent organisation registered for charity tax concessions and designated gift recipient therefore anybody or business looking to donate to the program can claim a tax deduction.

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A Past Project: The Dental Caravan

One of the Rotary Club of Gawler Light's earliest projects was a Dental Caravan that was sent to the Rotary Club of Mabalacat in RY 2000-2001.

For 5 years, it was parked in front of the Mabalacat City Hall, where the local Club conducted free circumcision surgery every school break, and free dental services to the residents every week.

Then the caravan was moved to Barangay Northville 16 resettlement to serve the dental needs of the residents. The Rotary Community Corp of Northville 16 managed the project.

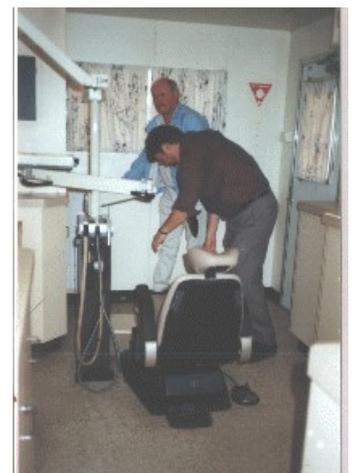


Then in 2010, the caravan was affixed to the structure of the Public Library of Mabalacat that the Club did as a matching grant project, within the compound of Mabalacat Elementary School. It was already too costly to move it around.

The caravan was used for the medical-dental-surgical missions of the Club: medical check up of kids and adults with medicines dispensed, dental treatment, minor surgery on cysts, circumcision, and hub for the gathering of the club members.



Sometime in 2015, the principal of the school was changed, a city resolution moved for the expansion of the school that affected the location of the public library and the medical caravan. When the construction started the next year, the caravan was detached and donated to Rotary Community Corp of Northville 16 to be used for whatever need they desired. By that time, all equipment inside were no longer serviceable. With only the structure remaining, the RCC converted the caravan into a livelihood storage.



The dentist member who kept the medical caravan running died of diabetes sometime in 2015.

This was certainly a very worthwhile project.

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