



Bulletin Edition #1328 : 13 December 2022

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

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- Welcomed the members to the last official meeting for the year
- Welcomed Sheena from UCare and Darren from Salvation Army; cheques were presented for Christmas Hampers for needy families in our area
- Our Rotary members brought along some gifts and wrapping paper which will be divided between UCare and Salvation Army
- Last Saturday Darryl and Steve did a small BBQ for the Early Learning Children's Centre and were rewarded with some chocolates which were shared
- The Rotary Club of Gawler has invited us to their Christmas Function on 19Dec22 for \$50
- On 20Dec22 we are meeting at Apex Park with BYO everything from 7pm, food, drinks and seats; music starts at 6.30pm
- Laurens is going to the World Convention sponsored by the Foundation
- We will be able to continue meeting at the Gawler Arms subject to availability of the Loft
- When the Loft is rented out we have the option of meeting at the CWA for a very reasonable fee
- First meeting next year is on 11Jan23 which is likely to be a BBQ
- On 17Jan23 we are booked into Gawler Arms
- We have had a very active 6 months and I thank everyone for all their contributions
- Friday 22Dec22: 10am – 5pm at Park, we are taking our newly painted trailer and a couple of shelters to a function at Bonython Park

Important Dates

Saturday 17Dec22	Christmas Carols BBQ
Sunday 18Dec22	Community Garden working bee
7Jan23	Christmas Display Pickup
2022	Quiz Night
27-31 May 23	Rotary International Convention Melbourne

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Exchange Student: Laurens van Eeten

- On Tuesdays I usually go swimming with Matthew however he was away but I went anyway and missed the train so arrived late to school
- On the weekend M-I and Graham took me to the Adelaide 500 car race
- Saturday I went to the Salisbury Rota-ract Christmas Pageant and helped pull the Snowman's Float
- Sunday I met with another student and went swimming at West Beach
- I start year 12 next year and have 12 subjects including cooking, sport studies, jewelry making and mathematics
- I heard from my family in Germany where they have had a lot of snow
- On Friday I went to the Lyndoch Christmas Party
- Sunday I helped at the Outbound orientation
- Monday I attended the Breakfast Club, Gawler skate park and Adelaide Skate Park
- Yesterday I started holidays for 7 weeks
- I went to the City then Glenelg then Grange and back to City, did lots of walking and 8 hours of travel

Community Service: Jenny Leadbeater

- Steve, Julie and Jenny went to meet the refugee Afghanistan family who arrived in April
- Mohamed's immediate need is housing; he has a temporary driving license and hopes to get his full license asap
- They have a \$1300 power bill covering 5 months and were hoping for support from the Club
- Have spoken to their case manager who should help them with Centrelink and advise where to apply for concessions
- We are having a discussion with Tony Piccolo to find out what other help can be provided
- Mohamed is keen to work and is learning English 4 days a week
- Sheena from UCare offered to help the family where possible

Salvation Army: Darren

- Working with SAPOL, Gawler Council & UCare to create a virtual red room for homeless people
- We now have 15 sleeping beds and a bank of lockers for the homeless to have a safe place to put their belongings which are very important to them and can create a huge area of anxiety
- Once a homeless person has somewhere to put their clothes they can pursue normal activities like going to the Doctors or going for a job interview
- We are beginning to make the day a little easier for some of these people
- Presented the Club with certificate of appreciation
- When the community supports, life does get a little easier for struggling families

The Fringe: David Weatherley

- Met with Linda Weiss to discuss the 2023 Fringe
- Friday 17Feb23 3-10pm in Walker place
- Fringe in the Park Saturday 11Mar23 at Hindmarsh Boulevard, Evanston Gardens

DIK: Dave Cockshell

- Recovered six playgrounds which may go to Mongolia
- Asked to help with 2 playgrounds in Playford Council area

Doing the Aussie tourist thing at the Gorge Wildlife Park



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International: Duncan Powers

- Ended up in hospital in Manilla with a middle ear infection which caused vertigo; still suffering some effects but can at least cycle
- Could not meet up in Cambodia with Marilyn and Ian
- Our highest scoring student, did exceptionally well recently with the other 2 scoring 60%
- Marilyn and Ian took the scholarship students out to dinner, and saw the water project which would be great to see in all schools that do not have fresh water
- Covid is bad in Cambodia but the people are doing very well considering what they have been through
- Very proud of the chicken grower achievements
- Tourists are beginning to get there and the area has lots of new roads.

Members Corner:

- Rob Eley: Met up with a Past District Governor in Alice Springs; has attended 42 Legacy events in 70 days
- Roger Freeman: Caravanning to Brisbane for Christmas then flying to South Korea to meet up with his son Ryan and his family
- Marie-louise Lees: Has gone from a 2 cat to a 3 cat family
- Jenny Leadbeater: Their son has moved out again, freeing up a bedroom for Laurens

MEETING ROSTER

	20-Dec-22	10-Jan-23	17-Jan-23
Meeting Number	1329	1330	1331
Meeting Type	Partners Welcome	Partners Welcome	Partners Welcome
Chairperson			Grant Buik
Rotary Information			Ian Chase
Thought for the Week			Susan Clift - Bowden
Vote of Thanks			David Cockshell
Fellowship			Marilyn Curtis
Cashier			Greg Morris
Guest Speaker	Christmas Display BBQ	BBQ	Committee Meetings
Subject			
Meeting location	Apex Park	TBA	Gawler Arms

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