

The Rotary Club of Regency Park

BULLETIN #2240 – 15th April 2025

Regency Park Rotary Club members meet weekly at The Caledonian Hotel from 6pm
 215 O’Connell Street, North Adelaide
 We gather on the traditional lands of the Kaurna people
VISITORS WELCOME

Theme for 2024/25: The Magic of Rotary

April is Rotary **Maternal and Child Health Month**

Every day mothers risk their lives giving birth and millions of children die each year from treatable, preventable causes.

	Tues 15th April Meeting #2240	Tues 22nd April Meeting #2241	Tues 29th April Meeting #2242	Tues 6th May Meeting #2242
Welcome	Hadi	Jeff	Rhonda	Ron
Speaker	Erfan Abidi / PDG Barbara Wheatcroft	Owen Richards		
Subject	Secret Educational Program / ARH Outback Nursing	Building Bridges TBC	Suggested board meeting (disbursements?)	Capers Briefing
Speaker Host	Vic / Ron	Jack K		Jack P
Raffle	Dale / Angela	Dale / Angela	Dale / Angela	Dale / Angela

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Diary Dates:

DATE, Time	EVENT	Rosters	Details
Sat 3 rd May	Carousel	11-2 - Angela	2-5
Sun 4 th May	Carousel	11-2	2-5
Sun 4 th May	Bunnings	Morning Team: Vic, Jack K, Ashley, Rhonda	Afternoon Team: Pam: 11.30 -2 Mark C, Mark S
Tues 6 th May	Corolla Capers Briefing night	Caledonian Hotel	Note: Corolla Capers 19-26 July.
16 th - 18 th May	Rotary Impact Summit	Morphettville Racecourse	Register below
Sat 7 th June	Bunnings	Morning Team: Jack, Vic, Rhonda	Afternoon Team: Mark C, Brian
Sat 21 st June	Carousel	11-2	2-5
Sun 22 nd June	Carousel	11-2	2-5
Tues 26 th June	Changeover dinner	Coopers Alehouse Gepps Cross	Details to be advised
Fri 27 th June	Bunnings	Morning Team: Jack, Vic	Afternoon Team: Mark C Pam 12.45

“Rotary Multi District Impact Summit”



**THE MULTI DISTRICT
IMPACT SUMMIT.**
MORPHETTVILLE RACECOURSE,
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.
16TH - 18TH MAY 2025



Rotary Districts 9510 (SA, NSW, NT & Vic) and 9800 (Vic) are combining forces to present the Rotary Impact Summit giving Rotarians the opportunity to connect across more than just one district.

[About - Rotary Impact 2025](#)

Join us at the **Rotary Impact Summit 2025 in Adelaide** this May! Connect with Rotary leaders, explore humanitarian projects, and create lasting impact through services and innovation. www.rotaryimpactsummit.org

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At the District Conference 2025 / Multi-District Impact Summit, the 2025 Walk for Respect will be featured as a key South Australian project in the Showcase.

Regency Park Rotarians visited Rotary Club of West Torrens – to hear special speaker Steven Pallasas’ thoughts on Domestic Violence Reform



Stephen Pallasas presented various items regarding Domestic Violence that he considers need to be changed in our legal system. One is that if the accused pleads guilty, he (or she) is usually not required to give evidence, even if they claim that they are very remorseful, which will usually result in a lesser fine or sentence. Stephen considers that the accused should personally present their case.

It is a part of our legal system that the accused has the right to remain silent and therefore is not compelled to give evidence in their own defence. Stephen presented a fairly persuasive argument as to why this rule should be changed.

He went on to comment that in the European legal system the magistrate is the inquisitor and personally cross examines all parties (accusers and defendants) to arrive his verdict. This certainly has merit and should be actively considered.

With regard to domestic violence, a key point that Stephen suggested is that the police powers should be changed. Currently when a domestic confrontation is encountered at a residence the police take away the woman and children to then locate them at an alternative location. This has to be sourced and is clearly very disruptive to the children. He suggested that the police should serve a notice on the abuser (usually the man) and apprehend him (to then explain that he must stay at least 5km until a court decides a ruling in the future), rather than the current system. Stephen is clearly very experienced in these matters, and this made a lot of sense.

The night concluded with questions and Stephen declaring that he intends to stand as a Senator in the next State Election. He is the leader of the “*Stephen Pallasas Real Change SA*” political party. He also handed out party membership forms that he would like everyone to join (at no cost).

Note: The 2025 Rotary Walk for Respect will be held on Saturday 11th October, starting in Victoria Square and finishing at Elder Park.

Last week's "Rotary Stop and Share" shopping event at various Shopping Centres was a success.

PP Les Dennis represented us along with Pres Andrew Davis and Sec Ann Goran. Es relates that after handing a flyer to young boys, they went in and bought about \$20 of goods just to distribute to our charity partners.

Ann, Les and Andrew



Les with trolley load



Helen - charity distributor



Ann and Les



On Friday evening, a Rotary BBQ catering team assembled for the **Care Assure** Easter picnic in Bonython Park. PP Ron Rogers celebrated his birthday by having a group of NDIS workers sing “Happy Birthday” to him.



I have an irrational fear of over-engineered buildings. You could say that I have a complex complex-complex.



COROLLA CAPERS 2025 OUTBACK of BOURKE 2025

Saturday 19/07/2025 - Saturday 26/07/2025

Update 2

The Recce for our next Corolla Capers has been completed.

The date and badging have been decided as shown above and we have information on camping and other accommodation options and are finalising the preparation of challenges for all vehicles.

The route we are planning is to stay at the following locations: **Silverton**, **Tibooburra** (for 2 nights) then at **White Cliffs**, via Tilpa to **Ivanhoe**, and then onto **Pooncarie** to arrive at **Calperum** for the last night.

The theme for the **BIG NIGHT OUT** this year is **BUSHRANGERS** and is to be held at the Ivanhoe RSL Club.

Please note that the registration fee remains unchanged at \$600 for adults & \$550 for Rotary Members.

Again, the number of participants is limited to 40 adults and preference will be given to those in qualifying Corollas.

We are still in the process of deciding on which charities to support and again ask that you pass on any suggestions by email to thepappins@hotmail.com.

The **BRIEFING NIGHT** at the Caledonian Hotel will be held at 6pm on **Tuesday the 6th of May**.

If you wish to attend, please let us know by email before the end of April.

The Registration Form, which is due to be returned by the 23rd of May, will be issued soon.



A photo from the Recce. All dirt roads in northwest NSW were closed within a few hours of it being taken

Editor's Note: the two speakers at this week's Rotary meeting will be potential charities that we will support. If you wish to attend, please contact Les ASAP to reserve a spot.