



Rotary on the Move

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Simple, Practical, Achievable, Easy Strong Support available for every Club. “Join the Dots”

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When we say, “Join the Dots” we are really talking about logical connections. In Rotary we have some great examples, but this might be a new idea. In all communities and workplaces there are people whom you know, of all ages, having a strong desire to do good in the world - people who are moved when something does not seem to be right. It could be after an international disaster or a local child who needs medical support or even a feeling of doing something physical in a nearby country.

On the other hand, Rotary has the widest range of opportunities to do good. We have terrific local programs for youth, for those with medical needs and more; then we have every possible combination of humanitarian and educational programs in developing countries. In addition we can devise our own programs to meet other challenges.

So we could link up people in the community and our Rotary programs. Those people do not have to actually join a Rotary club but need to be associated with a Rotary club. We need to be flexible enough to handle different people at different times in their lives. For instance a group of young professionals could be given the chance to go Papua New Guinea or Fiji or Timor Leste and participate in a work party for a couple of weeks with two or three Rotarians. Later in their lives they might consider joining a Rotary club. Indeed a secondary school might be encouraged to nominate a team of school leavers to do similar overseas service instead of going on “schoolies week” or a business person might consider donating funds for a shelter box and so do good that way. Have you made these options well known in your community? That gives some idea of what “Join the Dots” might mean in Rotary.

looked across the room and noticed the two visiting guest speakers on their own and looking a little lost..Shirley went across, opened up a conversation and accompanied them to the morning tea table. In Rotary I have observed a similar lack of care for visitors when at one time nearly every club had a protocol which made arrangements on a weekly basis for one member to be on roster to welcome and offer real friendship to visitors whether Rotarians or not. That’s **Joining the Dots** between friendship as we advertise it and friendship in reality.

Recently I have heard a few people in meetings say something like – “we don’t worry too much about protocol here”. Another word for protocol is etiquette or even the words – **good manners**. I don’t believe that those speakers really mean that they want to abandon good manners in Rotary. Good manners in Rotary means connecting the dots between friendship and members or even people you might want to join. Former Rotary International President Bill Huntley said, “Be a Friend”. All of this is a necessary part of continuing effective Rotary as we all want to do good in the world. Let’s “Join the Dots”, keep “Rotary on the Move” and go forward to the basics!

If any person would like to share with me some successes along these lines, please drop a note via my email.

The other day my wife (Shirley) and I attended a meeting – not Rotary. Shirley

Thanks. john.thorne@bluebottle.com

“ Go Make a Difference ”

Article prepared by PDG Noel Trevaskis

Assistant Rotary Coordinator, Chairman Australian Rotary Health.



Ilyasi Siraji came to Australia three years ago when he was nineteen; he and his four siblings are refugees from the Democratic Republic of Congo. The journey to Australia took two years from the Congo rather than ten or fifteen that others take; those two years were spent partly in a refugee camp in Uganda. During that time he learnt English in preparation for his final destination of Australia.

Ilyasi has been living in Adelaide since he arrived in Australia. He has been working with refugees and particularly the children of refugees and helping them to assimilate into their communities.

The Rotary Club of Kidman Park in Adelaide sent Ilyasi to Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, a week long seminar, from that time Ilyasi's life changed again. He has been involved with Rotary Youth Leadership Awards since as a mentor for the young people aged 18 to 25 years old who came along to RYLA.

Earlier this year he was able to attend the International RYLA and the 101st Annual Convention of Rotary International in Montréal, Canada. Ilyasi has become involved in Rotaract and was the second President of the Rotaract Club for Global Peace Australia. From this Rotaract Club another Club has started and Ilyasi has it in his sights to help start another Rotaract Club with the sponsoring coming from the Rotary Club of Brown Hill Creek.



Ilyasi at the Chartering of the Rotaract Club.

Ilyasi has seen the good work that Rotary does and experienced it himself. He wants young people to experience Rotaract and all the good things of Rotary.

Ilyasi is fulfilling a dream because of Rotary, but he is able to fulfil that dream because Rotarians became involved. His vision is to see other young people become involved with Rotaract, RYLA and ultimately Rotary.

There are a lot of people in our communities who want to make a difference to peoples lives and their communities. Rotary can give them the opportunity to do that, to be a volunteer in their local community or in the international community. The problem is they don't know how they can be that "volunteer", Rotary can fulfil their need to be a volunteer.

We need to tell people about our programmes and how they can become volunteers through Rotary. People will join Rotary for a purpose, a purpose that is to help people in their community or the international community. People do feel good about themselves when they become a volunteer because they are making a difference to communities.

Rotary can be a vehicle for people to become volunteers, we need to publicise what we are doing and asking people to contact us to find out more about our programmes where people can be volunteers and fulfil their ideals. Volunteers can and will become members of Rotary, first we have to ask them and we have to tell them how they can become involved as a volunteer with Rotary.

“ Number of Rotarians by District and Zone ”

District	30/6/09	30/06/10	1/7/10	31/10/10	30/6/09 to 30/6/10		30/6/10 to 1/7/10		1/7/10 to 31/10/10		District
					+/-	%	+/-	%	+/-	%	
9450	1046	1149			103	9.8%					
9455			1419	1436					17	1.2%	9455
9460	1066	1042			-24	-2.3%					
9465			1480	1509					29	2.0%	9465
9470	828	785			-43	-5.2%					
<i>(WA total)</i>	2940	2976	2899	2945	36	1.2%	-77	-2.6%	-31	-1.0%	<i>(WA total)</i>
9500	1478	1411	1387	1400	-67	-4.5%	-24	-1.7%	-11	-0.8%	9500
9520	1535	1512	1493	1499	-23	-1.5%	-19	-1.3%	-13	-0.9%	9520
9550	1214	1124	1084	1093	-90	-7.4%	-40	-3.6%	-31	-2.8%	9550
9570	1136	1174	1158	1172	38	3.3%	-16	-1.4%	-2	-0.2%	9570
9600	1845	1794	1766	1789	-51	-2.8%	-28	-1.6%	-5	-0.3%	9600
9630	1260	1271	1242	1284	11	0.9%	-29	-2.3%	13	1.0%	9630
9640	1454	1398	1368	1390	-56	-3.9%	-30	-2.1%	-8	-0.6%	9640
9650	1639	1667	1616	1613	28	1.7%	-51	-3.1%	-54	-3.2%	9650
9670	1152	1181	1172	1178	29	2.5%	-9	-0.8%	-3	-0.3%	9670
9680	1987	1968	1907	1930	-19	-1.0%	-61	-3.1%	-38	-1.9%	9680
9690	1014	1003	981	995	-11	-1.1%	-22	-2.2%	-8	-0.8%	9690
9700	1220	1166	1146	1143	-54	-4.4%	-20	-1.7%	-23	-2.0%	9700
9710	1513	1511	1500	1499	-2	-0.1%	-11	-0.7%	-12	-0.8%	9710
9750	1518	1457	1396	1397	-61	-4.0%	-61	-4.2%	-60	-4.1%	9750
9780	2071	2039	2011	2023	-32	-1.5%	-28	-1.4%	-16	-0.8%	9780
9790	1793	1787	1762	1781	-6	-0.3%	-25	-1.4%	-6	-0.3%	9790
9800	2834	2745	2678	2688	-89	-3.1%	-67	-2.4%	-57	-2.1%	9800
9810	1367	1341	1303	1311	-26	-1.9%	-38	-2.8%	-30	-2.2%	9810
9820	1504	1481	1461	1458	-23	-1.5%	-20	-1.4%	-23	-1.6%	9820
9830	1428	1432	1412	1417	4	0.3%	-20	-1.4%	-15	-1.0%	9830
Zone 8	33902	33438	32742	33005	-464	-1.4%	-696	-2.1%	-387	-1.2%	Zone 8

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					+/-	%	+/-	%	+/-	%	
9910	1303	1293	1277	1269	-10	-0.8%	-16	-1.2%	-24	-1.9%	9910
9920	1790	1740	1739	1713	-50	-2.8%	-1	-0.1%	-27	-1.6%	9920
9930	1941	1913	1882	1893	-28	-1.4%	-31	-1.6%	-20	-1.0%	9930
9940	2178	2139	2104	2092	-39	-1.8%	-35	-1.6%	-47	-2.2%	9940
9970	1386	1378	1366	1379	-8	-0.6%	-12	-0.9%	1	0.1%	9970
9980	1347	1306	1295	1308	-41	-3.0%	-11	-0.8%	2	0.2%	9980
Zone 7b	9945	9769	9663	9654	-176	-1.8%	-106	-1.1%	-115	-1.2%	Zone 7b

World	1234527	1227563	1202130	1213608	-6964	-0.6%	-25433	-2.1%	-13955	-1.1%	World
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Membership Statistics as at 31/10/2010, statement by PDG Rob Wylie:

These are the latest membership figures from R.I. for all Districts in Zones 7b and 8.

Net gain/ loss is shown for:

(1) Previous Rotary year 30/6/09 to 30/6/10

(2) The overnight loss 30/6 to 1/7/10 (when many members who have been thinking of leaving do not renew their membership)

(3) Current year so far 30/6/10 to 31/10/10. This is the most realistic figure to assess progress, as it includes the overnight loss in (2) above, which has to be made up by 30/6/11 if your District is going to break even or have a net gain for the year.

(4) “Comparison to start” 1/7 to 31/10/10 for 9455 and 9465 as figures for (3) not applicable.

The R.I. “Comparison-to-start “ tables for all Districts available on www.rotary.org show net gain or loss from 1/7/10 to 31/10/10, which is usually a more flattering comparison than in (3).

Most Districts have gained members since 1st July, but still have to make up that overnight loss before 30/6/11.

“ Caring for the Rotary family ”

**Article prepared by PDG Noel Trevaskis
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The festive season is a time of year that most people look forward to; it is a time when people celebrate in all manner of ways. It is usually a time when families and friends gather together for the festivities or go on holidays together it is meant to be a happy time of the year.

In today's society with high family breakdowns and separations it means that a lot of families don't get to see their children, grandchildren or other relatives at this time of the year. There are also those families who will be missing a family member because of a death. For some people this will be the first time that they won't be celebrating this time of the year as a family or with a loved one.

Depression is something that can have a huge impact on people over the Christmas New Year period as it is supposed to be a joyous happy time but for some there won't be any happiness only emptiness and sadness. For those people who aren't able to be with their families for whatever reason, it is a time when depression can quickly overcome them.

People can become depressed over this period as they think back and dwell on how things were and the reality of their changed life can hit some people hard. As we are all part of the family of Rotary we need to be aware and alert to those families and individuals amongst us who will need our support. There will be many Rotarians and their families who will be feeling lonely this festive season. If they are depressed get them to seek help, listen to them, call on them, spend time with them and tell them that you care for them and arrange for other friends to do the same. Encourage them and support them but above all be a real friend to them.

“ Can't think of anyone to invite to Rotary? ”

**Article prepared by PDG Noel Trevaskis
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The BEYOND 2000 membership recruitment and retention programme has a list of over 400 different vocations and businesses to help Rotarians to identify potential new Rotarians. If a club works through the list systematically over a few weeks with their membership they will be surprised at how many vocations or businesses in their local community that are not involved in Rotary or other service organisations. After making up a list of vocations and businesses, the club can start to identify people who can be invited to a special Rotary information night.

Clubs with very few women members can use this method to specifically identify women for their club.

If every club was to recruit a minimum of four women into their club over the next six months we would increase our membership across Australia by 4,636 members. 17% of our membership in Australia is women; there is a huge potential to increase our membership by just asking more women to join Rotary.

Clubs can start to identify those potential women and men in their communities by identifying which vocations and businesses they don't have representatives in their club.

Share your Club or District Service Project

Below is a Club Service project to share with interested Rotarians as requested by PDG Rob Wylie in last month's edition of the Rotary on the Move pages 1 and 2:

"I am hoping to collect summaries of good service projects which are worth sharing with other clubs and districts. We won't have room for all of them in this newsletter, but I'll be happy to share with anyone wanting information on a particular type of project. So would like to hear from Districts or clubs telling me what you have done. Please include a summary, contact details, and a couple of photos, and forward to robwy43@bigpond.net.au."

"Business of the Year Night"

**Article prepared by the editor Issa Shalhoub
Rotary Club of Milton-Ulladulla**

For the past six years the Rotary Club of Milton-Ulladulla Inc., New South Wales District 9710, has been organising an annual Business of the Year Night. It is held in August and draws over three hundred business people, family and friends, from Ulladulla and districts who enjoy a meal, entertainment and awards presentation.

Ulladulla and surrounding districts on the south coast have a population of around 12,000 and are about 55 kilometres from the nearest bigger towns of Nowra and Batemans Bay.

The award night is conducted on a Tuesday night, the Club's normal meeting night, at the local Civic Centre. It starts at 6.30pm and concludes at 11.00pm, i.e. not a late night so attendees can go to work the following day. Tuesday was chosen so it will not interfere with attendees' weekend.



Local business people get to nominate their businesses and or their employees while members of the community get to vote on customer service and the main awards are judged by independent adjudicators.

The continued success of the Award night is due to the relentless efforts of Rotarian Craig Saunders and his committee. It brings together the whole of the Rotary Club of Milton-Ulladulla where every member helps according to their capability, from ticket selling, setting up the Civic Centre, running the bar, ushering and tidying up at the end of the night.



The award night brings the whole local business community together, where awards are presented in twelve categories including Business of the Year, Best Small Business, Employee of the Year, Employer of the Year, Best Accommodation House, Café-Coffee Lounge of the Year, Hotels - Licensed Club of the Year, Restaurant of the Year, Friendliest Employee and Apprentice-Trainee of the Year.



Every business in the area gets the chance to sponsor the night, with generous contributions providing benefit from recognition and publicity for their role. The Rotary Club gets to raise a considerable amount of money as the night is a major fundraiser for the Club, five figure amount, and Rotary gets acknowledged for its community work.

In the end everyone's a winner.

“ The Future of Rotary ”

In 1916, Rotary founder Paul Harris shared his thoughts about the organization in an article titled "The Future of Rotary," published in *The Rotarian*.

Addressing the Rotary world, Harris concluded the short piece with wishes for the new year, consider his words:



“ I wish you all of the prosperity which your good deeds merit.
May all things you ought have be yours.
May your charities rank among your necessary expenditures.
May you not fall into the popular error of thinking that happiness is to be found in outdoing your neighbors.
May it always be yours to look beneath the veneer of life to the solid substance which lies beneath.
May you be builders, not mere climbers.
May you be able to appraise life's blessings at their real worth.
May you be free to act in accordance with the dictates of your own conscience and good judgment.
May you not be slaves to meaningless customs, social or otherwise.
May you shun the groove followers.
May you have vision to discern the right and health, strength and will to do it.
That is to say, I wish you a happy New Year.”

Seasons Greetings

From the Rotary Coordinator Team.



Please note that there will be no “Rotary On the Move” Newsletter for January 2011, the next issue will be distributed in February 2011.

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