



# Club of Gawler Light

District 9510 | Chartered 10July1996

# SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Bulletin Edition #1276 : 23 November 2021

President: Marie-Iouise Lees | Secretary: David Cockshell | District Governor: Jeff Neale | RI President: Shekhar Mehta

#### President: Marie-Iouise Lees

- Welcomed members and guests
- Reminder to report volunteer hours
- Show parking was a non event
- Asked for suggestions for end of year meeting
- Advised that the recipient for the Rotary Club of Gawler Light All Rounder Award is Zac Dawson who is a Year 9 Student
- Encouraged members to consider volunteering for the vacant Board roles for next year

<u>Community Service:</u> Jenny Leadbeater/ Richard Tucker/Steve McLachlan

- Xmas display working bee and preparation reminder
- Ucare asking for donations
- Camping equipment for homeless needed
- Volunteers needed to cook BBQ at Kersbrook Primary School on 7Dec21

26 PM/ 27AM Nov 21	Christmas display setup
27Nov21	DIK Working Bee
7Dec21	Kersbrook Primary school BBQ
12Dec21	Movie Night
2022	Quiz Night
1-3 Apr 22	District Conference –Barossa Valley
27-31 May 23	Rotary International Convention Melbourne

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# **Important Dates**



<u>**Guest Speaker:**</u> Dr Dave MacPhail DVM, MBA—Pandemics, Pets and their People

- From UK (Edinburgh) then worked in Ontario, Australia
- Covid 19 killing millions of people globally
  - May have started with animal involvement
  - Some variants found in dogs and cats
  - Role of masks
  - Quarantine
  - Vaccines
  - Very little veterinary involvement so far
- Rabies viral disease form of lyssavirus – to do violence
  - Currently kills about 65000 people and many pets annually, about 40% children
  - Mentioned in literature since 5000BC
  - Aggression
  - Hydrophobia
  - Disorientation
  - Death
  - Transmission
  - Endemic in wildlife populations foxes, skunks, squirrels, BATS
  - Transmitted through bite of infected creature
  - Not much in Australia, although some deaths from Lyssavirus
  - Treatable through prompt vaccination, otherwise fatal (4 weekly injections)
  - Louis Pasteur developed vaccine
  - Prevent by avoidance

- Treatment historical
  - Recognition/elimination
  - Hair of dog approach
  - Vaccination
  - Eradication policies amongst reserve populations
  - WHO heavily involved
  - Strong veterinary role in vaccinating all domestic animals
  - High risk to vetes given potential exposure
  - Optimistic plan to have this virus fully controlled by 2030
- Yersinia Pestis- the worst Pandemic in 1300s
  - The Black Death, bubonic Plague
  - Present in samples up to 3800 years BC
  - Most common host common flea
  - Rodents, dogs, cats, but can also survive in clothing, bedding, furniture
  - Often followed trade routes
  - Control was similar to what is being used now –quarantine, lockdowns
  - Many misconceptions
  - 20<sup>th</sup> Century advances antibiotics very successful
- What have we learnt
  - Patience
  - Compliance
  - Common sense
  - Adaptation
  - Optimism

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# Rotary Information: David Cockshell

## **RAWCS Current Drought Projects**

As we move on from the devastating drought conditions of the past few years, happily many regions in Australia are now experiencing a return to good seasons. Rotary recognizes that for many families, impacted by the extreme conditions of 2017-2019, financial recovery will take many years and that not all regions are entirely free of drought.

The Federal Government also understands this and as a result have partnered with RAWCS to implement the Drought Community Outreach Program (DCOP) to raise awareness of the many forms of drought relief and recovery support offered by both Government and non-Government agencies and to provide direct financial assistance in the form of \$500 vouchers to eligible drought affected families.

Under the agreement, signed in June 2020, the Government has entrusted RAWCS with \$7.5 million to assist with delivery of community outreach events in drought affected areas across the nation. RAWCS is collaborating with the National Recovery and Resilience Agency (NRRA) and engaging local Rotary Clubs to assist and support the events and to encourage attendance. Despite considerable disruption to the program caused by ongoing Covid restrictions, 51 community outreach events in six States were supported by Rotary in 2020-2021 and the program is continuing in 2021-22.

RAWCS has also reached drought affected families in areas where no outreach events have been held by mailing vouchers to eligible families identified through the networks of Rotary, NRRA Recovery Support Officers and the Rural Financial Counselling Service. This aspect of the DCOP will be accelerated in 2021-22 in conjunction with Rotary District Drought Committees. The DCOP is also designed to stimulate the local economies of the selected towns through encouraging voucher recipients to spend locally and through Rotary and the other participating agency's event operating costs.

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#### President Elect: lan Chase

• Called for volunteers to nominate for the 2022/23 Board

#### Club Administration: David Perry

• We need a volunteer to support the roles of Sergeant

### **MEETING ROSTER**

	23-Nov-21	30-Nov-21	07-Dec-21	14-Dec-21
Meeting Number	1276	1277	1278	1279
Meeting Type	Partners Welcome	Partners Welcome	Partners Welcome	Partners Welcome
Chairperson	Susan Clift-Bowden	David Cockshell	Marilyn Curtis	Ian Curtis
<b>Rotary Information</b>	David Cockshell	Marilyn Curtis	Ian Curtis	Rob Eley
Thought for the Week	Marilyn Curtis	lan Curtis	Rob Eley	Roger Freeman
Vote of Thanks	Ian Curtis	Rob Eley	Roger Freeman	David Giles
Fellowship	Rob Eley	Roger Freeman	David Giles	Jenny Leadbeater
Setup & Packup	Roger Freeman	David Giles	Jenny Leadbeater	Darryl Matthews
Cashier	David Weatherley	Peter Harper	Greg Morris	David Weatherley
Guest Speaker	Dr Dave Mc Phail	AGM	Dr Rupert Thorne	Guest Speaker needed
Subject	History of Hutchinson Veterinary Practice Hospital			

#### ATTENDANCE

All apologies: contact Susan Clift-Bowden (0438 067 894 or cliftsusan@gmail.com)

Non-attendance must be notified by 10am Monday.

Given the current situation please advise your intention to eat a meal.

If you are intending on being away for a lengthy period of time, please also notify the Bulletin Editor

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