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Welcome to the presentation

Our club is a cause based Rotary Club. We meet twice a month via zoom

Our club is based in District 9630, Qld, Australia. Our members come from around the world.

Objectives

- Explain what Rotary International is and does
- Describe the ethical compass that guides Rotarians
- Discuss the mental well being benefits of being a volunteer
- Describe the seven areas of focus for Rotary International
- Describe the UN's Goals for Sustainable Development
- Discuss the ways in which the experience, skills and knowledge of nurses and midwives makes them great Rotarians



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What we will cover during this presentation.

Nurses and Midwives

- Nurses in Action
- Mercy Ships
- Every Nurse
- Project Hope
- International Volunteer HQ



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Nurses and midwives as volunteers

Nurses & midwives have a long history of volunteering to work in different countries, in different organisations and these are just an example. Volunteering in such organisations is usually for specific periods of time. Being a Rotarian offers multiple opportunities to volunteer in projects around the world

Benefits of being a volunteer

- Feel happier
- Feel healthier
- Get "helper high"
- Sense of belonging
- Catch feel good emotions
- Embrace your passions
- Personal and Professional Development
- Cultural immersion



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Benefits of being a volunteer

Studies from 2012 continually report on the benefits of being a volunteer such as those highlighted in slide

Benefits of becoming a member of the GNMRC

- Ability to influence Nursing and Midwifery practice in the world
- To do good and make a difference in the world
- Opportunity to network and develop professional relationships globally and internationally to enhance your professional connections for career growth and development
- Become a mentor to others by utilising your own specialist knowledge and skills in your home country and in country where other members practice through the Rotary 4-way test we live the International Council of Nursing code of ethics
- You can expand your professional knowledge and claim continuing professional education points from the 30 minute guest speaker session

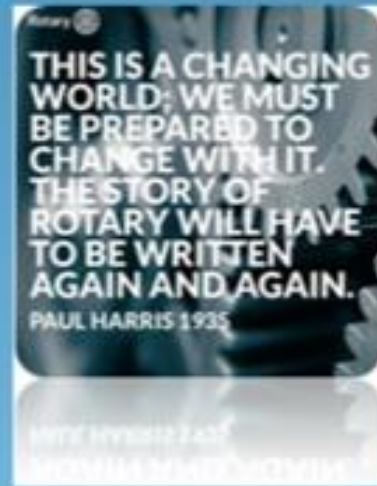


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Benefits of becoming a member of the GNMRC

Rotary is a globally respected organisation, being a member of a Rotary club, being a Rotarian is good for your CV

Origins of RI



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Origins of Rotary International

RI was generated from an idea by one of its founding members Paul Harris. Rotary started as a fellowship group for businessmen to meet on a weekly basis for support and networking. These meetings developed into an organisational for providing service to community. The name Rotary is because initial meetings by Paul Harris and his colleagues would rotate between the different business offices of the members. When the numbers became too large for one office – the idea of having one venue for regular meetings was established. From those humble beginnings Rotary International has grown to be an organisation of over 1.2 million members, with over 35,000 clubs around the world. Since 1905 when it was first established Rotary has continued to evolve and change in response to changes in the world. Our current RI President Holger Knaak is keen to see cause-based clubs like ours become a vital part of RI.

Four way test the ethical compass that guides Rotarians



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Four way test

In the words of charter member Dr Evelyn Chilemba

The Four-Way Test of The Rotary Club offers a philosophical framework among the global nurses and midwives for determining the various ways in which these Rotary members are to interact. Thus, the members interact with a moral purpose, responsibility and accountability as evidence to the improvement humanity. These members envision for creativity, imagination and optimism in their undertakings.

We are proud to finish our regular meetings with the 4 way test to remind us of our responsibilities as Rotarians.

The work of Rotarians - Service above self

ROMAC

Interplast

Polio eradication



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Work of Rotarians

ROMAC - provides surgical treatment IN Australia and New Zealand for children from developing countries in our Pacific Region in the form of life giving and/or dignity restoring surgery not accessible to them in their home country.

Interplast – Repairing bodies & rebuilding lives. Interplast sends teams of volunteer plastic and reconstructive surgeons, anaesthetists, nurses and allied health professionals to provide life-changing surgery and medical training in 17 countries across the Asia Pacific region.

End Polio Now – Polio eradication

Rotary has been working to eradicate polio for more than 35 years. Our goal of ridding the world of this disease is closer than ever. As a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, worldwide polio cases have been reduced by 99.9 percent since RI's first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979.

Rotary members have contributed more than \$2.1 billion and countless volunteer hours to protect nearly 3 billion children in 122 countries from this paralysing disease. Rotary's advocacy efforts have played a role in decisions by governments to contribute more than \$10 billion to the effort.

Today, polio remains endemic only in Afghanistan and Pakistan. But it's crucial to continue working to keep other countries polio-free. If all eradication efforts stopped today, within 10 years, polio could paralyses as many as 200,000 children each year.

Our Charity - The Rotary Foundation

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Our Charity Rotary Foundation

Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. The mission of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

For as little as 60 cents, a child can be protected from polio.

\$50 can provide clean water to help fight waterborne illness.

\$500 can launch an antibullying campaign and create a safe environment for children.

Trustworthiness

For the 13th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating — four stars — from Charity Navigator, an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S.

The Foundation earned the recognition for adhering to sector best practices and executing its mission in a financially efficient way, demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency. Only one percent of the organizations Charity Navigator evaluates have received 13 consecutive 4-star evaluations.

Seven areas of focus for Rotary International



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Areas of focus for RI

Seven Area of Focus for RI (explained further in the video on slide 12)

Rotarians are able to work in projects in these 7 areas of service due to grants obtained through the Rotary Foundation

United Nations Goals for Sustainable Development



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UN Sustainable development goals

So important for nurses and midwives globally and the Seven Areas of Focus for RI complements the UN sustainable development goals very well.



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Chartered 22nd December 2020

DG District 9630 Patrice Robinson presenting the club charter to Charter President Wendy McIntosh at our Charter event we had a presentation from RI President Holgar Knaak and CEO of the ICN Howard Catton



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Video – runs for 6 min

Our Club

- Meet via zoom 2 x monthly
- 2nd Tuesday of the month 1830-1930hrs (Qld AEST Time)
- 4th Tuesday of the month 0700-0800hrs (Qld AEST Time)

You can join us from anywhere in the world.

Contact President Wendy McIntosh for zoom link details.

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Information about our meetings

Allows members to meet and network via Zoom two nights per month.

Meetings run for one hour and will generally have a guest speaker.

We have time to meet, greet and catch up, then some rotary and club business and then a guest speaker.

Our club is very fortunate because we have global nurse & midwives leaders from around the world who present to us

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Contact details and club website

Members sharing the news



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Each month RI has a theme.

For January the theme is vocational month. A time for members to network and promote their vocation. To celebrate this January as the first January for our club – we have invited our members to do a presentation like this to our colleagues. We will then develop a Global Bake Up eBook as a fund raiser through our website.

Any questions ?



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Resources

District 9630

<http://www.rotary9630.org/>

Rotary Foundation

<https://www.rotary.org/en/about-rotary/rotary-foundation>

Rotary Projects

<https://www.rotary.org/en/get-involved/projects>



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